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The 16th Regular Meeting of the Kolhapur Mission.

Panhala Dec 31st 1888.

Mission met at Panhala at 8-15 P.M. Members present; Messrs Goheen Seiler and Ferris. Absent Messrs Graham and Tedford. Mr. Seiler was appointed Secretory pro tem. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Goheen afterwards Messrs Seiler and Ferris were appointed a Com. on docket of business. It was moved that the sermon be postponed and that we meet tomorrow Jan. 1st at 11 A.M. On motion adjourned

G. W. Seiler Sec. protem

Second Session

Jan. 1st 1889.

Mission met at 11. A.M; present Messrs Seiler Goheen and Ferris. Members absent Graham and Tedford. Mr. Goheen preached the opening sermon from Eccles 9: 10. Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave whither thou goest. The Com. on docket of business reported as follows:

1 Reading Circular Motions
2 Reading Annual Reports
3 Appointing Com. of Arrangements & Examinations
4 Miscellaneous Business
5 Appointment to Stations.
6 Appt. of Teachers & Catechists
7 Changes for Health.
8 Estimates
9 Election of Officers

The circular motions of the year were then read which are as follows chronologically:

Moved - That the cupboards at Kolhapur that were ~~at Ratnagiri~~ in the Ratnagiri Bungalow be removed to Sangli for the use of that Station. Jan. 13 - 88.

Moved - That as Mr. Seiler needs the city Chapel for his High School Mrs. Hull be allowed to rent a room for her school at a sum not exceeding Rs 3 per mensem
Jan. 18th 1888.

Moved - That Mrs. Graham be allowed to employ Gopalrao as a teacher in the Christian School on an allowance of Rs 8 per mensem - Feb. 24 - 88.

Moved - That Mrs Hull be allowed to spend two months of the hot season at Mahableshwar - March 13 - 88.

Moved - That Mr. Ferris be authorised to employ Ramaji Gharoje as a medical assistant on a salary of Rs 30 per mensam -
Mr. Graham voted No. March 7th 1888.
For reasons see appendix.

Moved - That Govind Malap be transferred to Sangli to work under the charge of Mr. Graham.

Moved - That Mr. Ferris be authorised to purchase and repair the house occupied by the Mission teacher at Nerloh at an expense not to exceed Rs 60 - June 13 - 88.

Moved That from Aug. 1. 1888 Satu's pay be increased from Rs 8 to Rs 9, and Santubai's from Rs 7 to Rs 8 per mensam June 13/88.

Moved That from Aug 1. 1888. Basant be put on a Catechist's allowance — June 13/88.

Moved — That Mrs Goheen and Mrs Seiler be appointed a Com. to correspond with the Woman's Board and ask for two single ladies to teach in the Girls School at Kolhapur July 26/88.

Moved — That Mr. Ferris and family including Miss. Patton be authorised to ask the Board for leave to visit America early in 1889. July 26/88.

Moved That the motion offering the Ratnagiri property for sale be reconsidered — July 26th 88. Mr Graham voted No. The original motion was then voted on and lost.

Moved — That the Ratnagiri property be put under the care of Mr Seiler — July 26th 88.

Moved — That as on reconsideration it has been decided not to sell the Ratnagiri property and that as Ratnagiri is now considered a Mission Station we request the Board to send out another missionary in addition to the three already called for. July 26th 88.

Moved — That the report of the Com. on Boarding Schools for Christian boys and girls be accepted and their reccommendations adopted. July 26/88.

The report as amended and adopted is as follows:

To
The Kolhapur Mission —

Your Com. appointed at the last Annual Meeting to consider the whole question of the proposed Boarding Schools for Christian boys and girls and report what action is advisible in reference to the conduct of said schools, beg to report as follows:

After due consideration we are of the opinion that the end we should strive for in the establishment of these schools should be not to impart "Higher Education" to a selected few but so to train up all (or as many as possible) of the native children of our Mission that they will become good & practical men and women; and as Christians exemplary & useful in the native communities where they may reside. This end we believe can be best attained by giving thorough instruction in the ordinary secular branches accompanied by a large element of religious truth in the school and by bestowing equal care and effort outside the school-room to the development of character and the cultivation of habits of integrity and industry in the pupils.

A second but not secondary object of the school should should be to furnish a supply of competent native Christian helpers especially teachers for work in the villages of our Mission field. To enable us to carry out this idea to a larger success we recommend that provision be made for the reception of promising heathen pupils from our village schools now in existence or that may hereafter be established and from any other source whenever we can bring them entirely under our control and influence. Such pupils would generally be from the lower castes and the probablity is that in many if not in most cases they would become Christians. They could then

be sent to teach in the villages making their schools also furnish pupils for the Boarding Schools who in turn would establish other schools with the same end in view and so the process would be repeated indefinitely.
To secure the attainment of these objects the native superintendents and teachers of the pupils should be as far as possible Christians and the best fitted for the work that can be obtained. We therefore recommend that from the entire number of native Christian helpers in the Mission those persons considered most likely to succeed in these positions be appointed to them.

We recommend the adoption of the following specific regulations and provisions for the establishment & carrying on of the Boarding Schools on the plan proposed.

1 Age of admission: Boys 8 years — girls 7 years.
2 Curriculum to be finally decided on when experience has shown what it should include but for the present it is recommended that the course of study appended hereto be followed.
3 Outfit: Clothing vessels and books with a box to keep them in shall be provided for each boarder from the funds of the school but these articles shall be regarded as the property of the school given to the pupils for their use only, and shall be turned over to the missionary in charge whenever the pupils leave the school either temporarily or permanently with the exception of one suit of clothing

4 Support of Pupils — For the support of each boarder including clothing food fuel & lights the allowance shall be Rs 4 per mensem. But parents who

are native Christian Agents sending their children to school as day scholars shall receive an allowance for their support of Rs 2 per mensum; regular attendance being required and this amount ~~being~~ shall be decreased in proportion to unexcused absences.

5 Work. The pupils in both schools shall be required to learn to wash, sew, cook and take care of the school houses & dormitories. They shall also be taught garding or other such work as the missionary in charge thinks best to require of them.

6 Suitable games for recreation may be provided for the students outside of the time appointed for study & work

7 Spending Money - An allowance not exceeding 2 annas per mensem shall be granted the pupils at the discretion of the missionary in charge

8 School Hours - The Schools shall be in session 5 hours each day excepting Saturdays and Sundays - the 5 hours including the time set apart for prayers and recess

9 Examinations. An examination by the missionaries of the same station shall be held at the end of each quarter in all the subjects studied in the preceding months. There shall also be a yearly examination conducted by a Committee appointed by the Mission at its Annual Meeting

10 Contingent Fund. A fund of Rs 100 from the appropriations of the Board shall be set apart as a

contingent fund & expended ~~at~~ for the benefit of the School or the pupils at the descretion of the missionary in charge

11 The Appointment of Superintendents and Teachers.
It is recommended ~~that~~ (1) That Ramkorbai be appointed Native Superintendent in charge of the Dormitory at Kolhapur and of the girls outside of school hours on a pay of Rs 8 per mensem

(2) That Shivram Mussoo be appointed as a teacher in the Girls Boarding School at Kolhapur

(3) That as an experiment Bhikaji Power be appointed Native Superintendent in charge of the Dormitory at Sangli and of the boys outside of school hours his pay for the present to be the same as now but that it be raised to Rs 8 per mensem (with the usual allowance for wife and children) after three months provided he give satisfaction in the position

(4) That Anandrao be appointed as a teacher in the Boys Boarding School at Sangli.

J. P. Graham

Moved That Mrs. Hull be allowed to employ Chandrabai to bring the girls to school at Rs 2-8 per sem beginning from June 15 1888

Moved That Mrs. Hull be allowed to employ a pupil teacher at a pay of Rs 1 per mensem beginning from August 1888.

Sept-10th 1888.

Moved- That we reconsider the motion to adopt the report of the Com. on Boarding Schools for Native Christian ~~bo~~ boys and girls, as to its provisions requiring the transfer of Shivram and Ramkorbai from Panhala to Kolhapur.

Sept. 15/88. ~~August 20th 1888~~

Moved - That Vitha & Malu be permitted to attend the Christians Boys Boarding School & that instead of furnishing them with food clothing and lodging we let them remain at home and make them an allowance of Rs 3 per mensem from Oct 1st Sept. 1888.

Moved That Mrs Goheen be allowed to employ Babaji as a teacher in the Ch. Girls School on the usual allowance from Oct. 16th 88.
Nov. 16th 1888.

To
The Kolhapur Mission:

I beg to ~~request~~ report that the printed forms (both loose and bound) for yearly and monthly reports of native Christian Agents which I was instructed to prepare at the last annual meeting are ready for use. As there has been unavoidable delay in getting the forms printed I would recommend that the action of the Mission requiring missionaries to fill out and hand these forms to the Secretary at the Annual Meetings for permanent preservation should not go into effect until next year - Nov. 1st 1888.

J. P. Graham.

Report received and adopted
J. M. Goheen Pres.

Moved That the Treasurer be instructed to issue a duplicate of cheque No 389 dated April 5 1888 and drawn for Rs 350 for the reason that the person who received it asserts that it was lost in sending it to Bombay in an unregistered letter
Nov. 8th 1888.

After reading the circular motions reports etc of the year Mrs. Wilder, Messrs Seiler Ferris and Goheen read their annual reports. The Com. of arrangements made the following recommendations

1 That we have one session a day from 10-30 to 3 P.M.
2 That the 1st half hour of each session be spent in devotional exercises in Marathi; and that during the week of prayer we follow the order of exercises recommended by the Evangelical Alliance
3 That on Sunday the 6th Mr. Ferris preach in the home chapel at 8-30. a.m. that we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at 4-30 P.M. Mr Siler to conduct the opening exercises and distribute the bread and Mr. Tedford the cup. And that so long as the native brethren are here an evening service of song or "Kirttan" be held in the town chapel
4 That the following be the programme of ~~the~~ exercises of the Native Christian Mela to be held Jan 3-5 inclusive

1st Day Thursday 3rd Jan. 1889.

A.M.
10-30-10-45 - Devotional Exercises
10-45-11 - Family Worship - Opened by Dada Luxman
11-11-15 General Discussion (on the Subject.)
11-15-11-30 Requisites for Baptism - by Govindrao Malap
Singing a Hymn
11-30-12 - General Discussion on the Subject.
12-12-30 — Recess
Hymn
P.M. 12-30-12-45 - The Training of Children in the Family.
Opened by Bhiwaji
12-45-1 - General Discussion on this Subject.

1—1:15 The Usefulness of Village Schools (under Ch. Teachers) and Village Preaching Compared
Address by Vithoba
1-15-1:45 General Discussion
1:45-2 The Best-Way to Deal with Inquirers—Basantrao
2:2-30 Dission
Prayer and Benediction

Second Day 4th Jan. 1889.

A.M.
10:30-10:45 Devotional Exercises
10:45-11 How to Remove Doubts—Shivaram
11-11:30 General Discussion
11:30-11-45 Be Wise as Serpents & Harmless as Doves.
11:45-12 General Discussion
12-12:30 Recess.
P.M. Hymn
12:30-12:45 How to Convince Hindus that their Scriptures are False
Opened by Daniel
12:45-1 General Discussion
1-1:15 The Duty of All Christians to Testify for Christ.
Ananda
1:15-1:45 General Discussion
1:45-2 Medical Missionary Work and its Effects.
Sonaji Agharji.
2-2:30 General Discussion
Prayer and Benediction

~~After the Com. of Arrangements had reported it was moved to ajourn to meet tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. Closed with prayer by Mr. Ferris. G. W. Seiler Sec. protem.~~

3rd Day Jan. 5th

A. M.
10:30-10-45 Devotional Exercises.
10:45-11 Efficacy of Individual Conversation - Bainuba.
11-11:30 General Discussion
11:30-11:45 How to Adorn the Doctrines of the Gospel
By Nomashakerappa
11:45-12 General Discussion of the Subject
12-12-30 Intermission
P. M. Hymn
12:30-12:45 Village Preaching. Mr. Khandoba
12:45-1:15 Discussion
1:15-1:30 What Fruits We May Expect of Our Efforts If We Are Filled With the Spirit.
Mr. Midramji
1:30-2 General Discussion of the Subject
Hymn
Prayer and Benediction

After the Com. of Arrangements had reported it was moved to meet tomorrow morning at 10:30 Closed with prayer by Mr. Ferris.

G. W. Suler
Secy Pro Tem

3rd Session Jan. 2nd. 1889

The 3rd Session opened at 10:30 with devotional exercises in Marathi by Mr. Suler. Minutes of last meeting read and after some corrections approved. Members present Messrs Suler Gykeen and Ferris. Miss. Wilder, Mrs. Hull Miss. Patton

read their annual reports. The following Motions were passed
Moved. That Yamunabai be allowed Rs 1 per month as teacher of Sewing work in the Ch. Girls School at Kolhapur from Nov. 1st 1888.
Moved That as the Christian Mela is to be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday we adjourn to meet Monday morning at 10:30. Closed with prayer by Mr. Seiler.

G. W. Seiler
Sec. Protem.

Fourth Session Jan. 7th 1889.

Mission met according to adjournment in Mission Bungalow Panhala. Present Messrs Seiler, Graham, Goheen, Ferris, and Tedford. Mr Tedford read his annual report. The Com. appointed to examine Miss Wilder in the Marathi language made the following report:
Your Com. beg to report that Miss Wilder presented herself for the preliminary and final examination on the 3rd inst and was passed having received the following grades:

1	Reading and Pronunciation	96
2	Meaning	93½
3	Grammar	90
4	Oral Marathi into English	93
5	Written Marathi into English	96
6	Oral English into Marathi	91½
7	Written " " "	90
8	Conversation with Native	99
9	Reading Marathi Letter	99
10	Writing Answer to Same	93½
		10/942
	General Average	94⅕

G. W. Seiler
J. P. Graham } Com.

Fifth Session

Panhala Jan 8th 1889.

Mission met according to adjournment afterwards devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Graham. Present - Messrs Seiler Graham Goheen Ferris and Tedford.
After considerable deliberation the following Motions were passed.

Moved - That all pupils in Boarding Schools who are entirely dependant upon the Mission be supported out of the School fund during vacations.

Moved that the missionaries in charge of our Boarding Schools be allowed to receive children from other Missions if the missionaries (of those Missions) in charge of the children send them and their expenses are paid.

After considerable discussion on the Motion "That we cease to employ the wives of our helpers as Bible women or as other workers", the following was passed -

Moved that the Motion be laid on the table until after we consider the petitions of Native Helpers asking for an increase of pay. L.B. Tedford Sec.
Closed with prayer.

Sixth Session Jan. 9th 1889.

Mission met at usual hour. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Goheen. All members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. A number of petitions from Native helpers were read and considered and as

as a result the following Motion was passed—
Moved That a Com. be appointed to consider the advisability of establishing a theological School for the education of a Native Ministry. and to report at its earliest convenience.

Com. { G. H. Ferris
G. W. Siler
J. M. Gorham

Mrs. Siler then read her annual report after which the following Motions were passed.
Moved—That Satuba and Suntaba Ranaji and Rama Barku be placed on regular Teachers allowance.

Moved That a Com. be appointed to consider the whole question of our Native Agents pay and to report at our next annual meeting whether or not a revision of the scale of pay is advisable and if so what changes should be made.

Com. { G. W. Siler
L. B. Tedford

Moved—That the Secretary be instructed to inform Mr. Shivram Mussoo that at present the Mission does not see its way clear to grant his request for an increase of pay, but that the matter is under consideration.

The session was then closed with prayer by Mr. Siler.

L. B. Tedford
Sec.

Seventh Session

Panhala Jan. 10th 1889.

The Mission met at 10:30. Prayers in the Chapel conducted by Mr. Ferris. All the members present. After reading the minutes of previous session. Mr Graham read his annual report. The following Motions were passed:

Moved. That we ask the Board for $5000 to Start a Mission Station in Miraj or elsewhere.

Moved- That we ask the Board for $500 for furniture for the Boarding School at Kolhapur, and to build a wall around the Dormitory.

Moved- that we ask the Board for an appropriation to build a cook-room for the Boarding School at Sangli

Moved- That we ask for an appropriation to add a room to the Sangli bungalow.

Moved that the time of our Annual Meeting be changed and that hereafter we meet the 2nd Wednesday of Oct at 8 P.M.

Moved. That the motion to cease employing the wives of our native Helpers as Bible women or as other workers be referred to the Com. appointed to consider the whole question of Helpers. pas

Moved That Mr. Graham be allowed to ask the Board for permission to return to America in the spring of 1889 or sooner if the way be open.

Moved - That the vacations in the Boarding Schools be in April-May and October.

Moved - That upon the departure of Mr. Ferris for America Panhala & station be put in charge of Mr. Seiler. Mr Goheen taking charge of the out-Stations.

Moved - That Govindrao Malap be employed as a catechist on the usual allowance.

The Publishing Com. reported as follows: The Pub. Com. would report that they have not had any expense the last year. No appropriation has been received from Am. Bible or Tract Society for the purchase of books.

Com. { G. W. Seiler
G. H. Ferris

Moved - That Balwant Gupte the Shukrawar School Master be allowed Rs 8 per month.

Moved - That Mr. Seiler be allowed to ask an appropriation for Kitchen and Store rooms at an expense not exceeding Rs 350.

Moved - That we take recess till 8 o'clock this evening.

Moved - That Rs 8-8-6 expended at Kolhapur in excess of appropriation be charged to the Local Fund.

Moved that Mr. Goheen & family and Mrs. Hull be permitted to spend the hot season at Panhala.

Moved That Mrs. and Miss. Wilder be permitted to spend the coming hot-season at Panhala

Moved- That Mr. Tedford and family be permitted to spend

Moved. That Mr. Seiler and family be permitted to spend the hot season at Panhala
Moved- That Mrs. & Miss. Wilder be stationed at Kolhapur

Moved- That Mr. Graham be appointed to write an urgent appeal to the Board and home churches calling for a reinforcement of four new missionaries.

The Session was then closed with prayer by Mr. Seiler
L. B. Tedford
Sec.

Eighth Session.

Panhala Jan 11th 1889.

Mission met according to adjournment at 8 a.m. Prayer was offered by Mr. Tedford. All the members were present. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

The following Motions were passed:
Moved That we ask the Board for an appropriation of Rs 500 to print Mr. Ferris' translation of the Bible Index.

Moved- That Mr Graham be instructed to prepare financial forms for making out the Mission charges of the several stations.

Some time was then spent in making out and sanctioning the estimates for the coming year which are as follows:

Kolhapur

Mr. Seiler and 3 children - $840+300 =	$ 1140
" Goheen & " " — 1080+300 =	1380
Mrs. Hull and 2 " 500+200 =	700
Miss Wilder —	500
2 Ladies asked for Kolhapur —	1000
Furnishing Girls School & Compound Wall —	500
	Rupees
Native Helpers —	~~Rs~~ 300
Schools —	1000
Building and Repairs —	500
Girls Boarding School	1500
Bible Women	50
Pundit —	130
Touring	150
Postage	20
Books	100
Care of Chapel	25
Medical Fees	100
Traveling	125
Change for Health	600
Miscellaneous	100
Cook House and Store Rooms	350
	~~5070~~
	4770

Panhala

Mr. Ferris	$ 1080
Four Children	.. 400
Miss. Patton	.. 500
Native Helper	Rs 225
Schools	.. 750
Dispensary	.. 750*
Building and Repairs	.. 150
Out Station – Nerla	.. 400
Bible Woman	.. 50
Traveling	.. 50
Care of Chapel	.. 25
Miscellaneous	.. 100
Publishing the Bible Index	500

Ratnagiri

Native Helper	Rs 150
Schools	100
Buildings and Repairs	50
Pundit	50
Books	25
Care of Chapel	20
Traveling	50
Miscelleneous	100

* Mr. Graham voted No. on the estimate for Dispensary.
For reasons see appendix

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Sangli

Mr. Graham	$	720
Mrs Graham	"	400
6 Children	"	600
Mr. Tedford	"	1080
Two Children	"	200
Native Helper	Rs	300
Buildings	"	1250
Repairs	"	250
Schools	"	650
Bible Woman	"	75
Books	"	150
Care of Chapel	"	25
Traveling	"	150
Medical Fees	"	100
Postage	"	50
Pundit	"	130
Church in the City	$	500
Tours	Rs	150
Boarding School	"	1500
Miscellaneous	"	100
Health Change	"	600

+ 6000

New Station at Miraj	$	5000
4 New Missionaries, (1 Medical)	$	4320

The Officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows:

President — G. W. Seiler
Treasurer — J. P. Graham
Secretary L. B. Tedford
Librarian G. W. Seiler

Publishing Committee { Seiler
Ferris

Auditing Committee { Goheen
Graham
Seiler

Com. on Arrangements { Graham
Seiler

After the reading and sanctioning of the minutes of all the sessions, the 16th Meeting of the Kolhapur Mission was closed with prayer by the President — Rev. J. M. Goheen

L. B. Tedford
Secretary.

On Sunday the 6th of Jan. the Lord's Supper was celebrated according to previous arrangement.

Native Communicants — 80
American " — 12

See p. 16 for minutes on Mr. Jolly

Recd Feb 24

G. L.

The 17th Regular Annual Meeting of the Kolhapur Mission.

Oct. 9th 1889.

Mission met in Kolhapur according to adjournment. Members present — Messrs. Seiler, Graham, Goheen and Tedford. Absent — in America Mr. Ferris.
Mr. Tedford preached the opening sermon from Luke 6:47-48. Messrs Graham & Goheen were appointed a com. on docket of business. On motion adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock.

L. B. Tedford Secretary.

Second Session.

Kolhapur 10th 1889.

Mission met according to adjournment. All the members present. Devotional exercises by Mr. Seiler. The minutes of the last Annual meeting were read. The Com. on docket of business reported. The Com. on Arrangements beg leave to reccommend — That (1) We have one session a day from 10:30. am to 3:15 P.M. with intermission from 12:30 to 1:15 P.M. (2) That the first half hour of each session be spent in devotional exercises in Marathi. (3) That on Sunday Oct. 13th we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in the new School house at 4:30 P.M. Mr Tedford to distribute the bread and Mr Goheen the cups. (4) That the following be the programme of exercises at the Native Christian Mela to be held Oct. 10-12 inclusive.

G. W. Seiler
J. P. Graham } Com.

Mela

Oct. 1889.

First Day.

A.M.

10-10-30 Devotional Exercises by Mr. Goheen

10-30-11. Importance of Sunday Schools at stations & in villages.
Opening Address by Shidram.

11-11:45 General Discussion

11:45-12 Closing Remarks by Mr. Goheen

Recess

Afternoon Session

Hymn

1-1:30 Self Help - looking towards the Independence of the Native Church - by Bhujin.

1:30-2:30 General Discussion

2-30-2:45 Closing Remarks by Mr Graham

2:45-3- Hymn and Prayer.

Second Day.

A.M.

10:10-3. Devotional Exercises - by Mr. Ledford
10:3-11. "Work for Women & Girls"
Address - by Basantrao
11:11-45 - General Discussion
11:45-12 - Remarks - by Mr Ledford.

Recess.

Afternoon Session.

Hymn

1-1:30 - "Best Method of Work Among the Higher Castes".
Address by Mr. Somshakerappa.
1:30-2 - General Discussion.
2-2:30. "Mission High Schools as an Agency for Evalgelization"
Address - by Mr. Shivramji.
2:3-2-45 - Remarks - by Mr. Suler.
2:45-3. Hymn and Prayer.

Third Day.

A.M.

Devotional Exercises - by Shivramji. 10-10:30
10:30-11 - "Systematic Giving for the Lord's Work"
Address - by Khundoba
11-11:45. General Discussion
11:45-12 - Hymn Prayer and Benediction

It was then moved to adjourn and on account of the Mela to meet Monday the 14 at 10:30 A.M. Closed with prayer by Mr. Goheen.

Third Session

Kolhapur ~~Jan~~ Oct. 14 1889.

Mission met according to adjournment. Devotional exercises by Shidoramji. All members present. The circular Motions of the year were then read which are as follows:

Moved That Miss Patton be permitted to spend one month and a half at Sangli to assist Mrs. Tedford in teaching in the Boys School there.

Jan. 18 1889.

Moved That the Mission purchase Mr. Ferris dining table and dinner set for the use of missionaries spending the hot season at Panhala. The table to cost Rs 20; dinner set as per accompanying list to cost Rs 50. The whole amount to be paid out of the Local Fund.

Feb. 8 1889.

As the following articles will also be found useful
Moved- That- they be bought- for the use of the missionaries who spend the hot- season at Panhala
1 Single bed including mattrass and musquito curtains Rs 10,
1 Filter Rs 8; 1 cook room table Rs 4; 6 dining room chairs Rs 18; one commode Rs 5-8. one meat-Safe Rs 6. The above to be paid out- of the Local Fund.

Moved. That Mr. Goheen be allowed Rs 100 out- of the Local Fund to meet- extra expense incurred in building the new dormitory & school room.

Feb. 27- 1889.

Moved. That- Miss. Patton's change to Sangli to take the place of Mrs. Tedford in the Boarding School be extended to the 1st of April.

March. 11- 1889.

Moved- That- Mr. Ferris be permitted to make a contract with Bapu Miraji for the care of the Panhala Bungalow. Bapu Miraji to take care of the bungalow and compound, caring for the trees and plants and also to keep the chapel in order, sweeping and washing the floor when necessary. In return for this, the said Bapu to be permitted to cultivate part- of the compound and to receive the fruits of the various trees, & to be permitted to cut- the grass.

~~Moved~~ - That Mr. Ferris be permitted to hire a servant for the Dispensary on a pay not to exceed Rs 5. per month; said servant also to care for the town chapel

Resolved ~~Moved~~ That in the opinion of the Mission the vote to employ Sonaji Ghorge was not carried and therefore it should not have been recorded in the minutes

May 24th 1889.

Moved - That Mr. Seiler be instructed to notify the Political Officer in charge of ex-King Thebaw that it is not the pleasure of the Mission to rent the Mission Bungalow at Ratnagiri after Nov. 30 - 1889. and to inquire whether Government would purchase it if offered for sale.

August - 1st - 1889.

Moved. That Kashibai Yadhava be employed by the Mission as Bible woman under charge of Mrs. Seiler on an allowance not to exceed Rs 3 per mensem.

August - 1st - 1889.

Whereas Salome John being a promising child of Ch. ~~parents~~ parentage is left without proper care or a responsible guardian, and her mother being willing to resign all claim to her - Moved - That she be received as a ward of the Mission & placed in the Girls School at Kolhapur.

Sept. 14 - 1889.

Moved - That the section of the Constitution requiring our annual meeting to be held at Panhala be waived this year, and that the meeting be held at Kolhapur Oct. 9th 8. P.M.

Sept - 20 - 1889.

Moved - That Mrs. Hull be allowed to go to Bombay for a month to have medical treatment for herself and Arthur.

Nov. 16 - 1889.

After considerable thought upon the petitions of Agents for increase of pay, the session was closed with prayer by Mr. Graham

Fourth Session

Oct. 15. 1889.

Mission met according to adjournment. Prayers in Marathi by Govindrao Malap. All members present. Minutes of last session read. Babaji Jains petition for increase of pay not granted. Babaji Miraji was instructed to abide by the contract entered into by him and Mr. Ferris as to the care of Panhala property. In reference to Krishnarao's petition the following motion was passed.

Moved - That the Secretary be instructed to

inform Krishnarao Thavekare in reply to his petition that it is not our intention that anyone should be employed by the Mission as a pundit; that matter being left to the pleasure of the individual missionaries.
After considerable discussion in connection with the suggestions of the Com. on revision of Native Helpers pay, Mission adjourned with prayer by Mr. Tedford.

Session Fifth

Oct. 16th 1889.

Mission met according to adjournment. Prayers by Mr. Graham. All the members present. The Com. on Revision of Pay made the following report:
"Your Com. appt. to consider the whole question of our Native Agents pay, and the advisability of revising the scale of their pay, beg to report that as there are no rules at present as to the qualifications of our Agents, consequently we can reccommend no change in the scale of pay."

Com. { G. W. Seiler
L. B. Tedford

On motion the report was accepted & the Com. discharged
The following motions were passed:
Moved - That Anandrao Sokmani's pay be

Rs 8 per mensem as teacher in the Boarding school at Sangli

Moved - That the Sec. be instructed to inform Khunduba Lakshman and others that the petition for an allowance for their children attending Boarding Schools during vacation was carefully considered and it was decided that we could not grant the request. Moreover we advise that parents have their children work for their support during vacation

Moved. That Mr. Seiler be allowed Rs 300 from the Local Fund for this year's expenditure on account of his High School; and that for the year 1890 we ask the Board for an appropriation of Rs 500 and that in view of this action Mr. Seiler be required to have at least 3 hours' religious instruction given weekly to each class.

Moved - That Shivaram Massoba be stationed at Kolhapur & employed as a teacher in the Mission High School on an allowance of Rs 12, with the usual allowance for wife and children.

Adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock this evening.
Closed with prayer by Mr. Goheen.

L. B. Tedford
Sec.

Sixth Session

Kolhapur Oct-16-1889.

Mission met according to adjournment. Devotional exercises by Mr. Seiler. All members present.

The following motions were passed.

As a resolution has been passed that the motion to employ Samaji Gharoji was not carried-

Moved That in accordance with Mr. Graham's suggestion the reasons for recording his negative vote which have not yet been ~~recorded~~ copied into the minute book be omitted from the records.

Moved- That- the following amendment be made to the constitution and designated as indicated.

Bye Laws

No. 1. The President shall have a vote on all questions that come before the Mission for action & in the event ~~case~~ of a tie vote the motion shall be considered lost-.

Moved. That- for the present Dr. Wanless be stationed at Sangli.

Moved. That we adjourn to meet at Panhala Dec. 28th at-10:30 A.M. Closed with prayer by Mr. Graham

L. B. Tedford Sec.

Seventh Session

Panhala Dec. 28th 1889.

Mission met at Panhala according to adjournment. Members present Messrs Seiler, Graham, Goheen Ledford and Dr. Wanless. Devotional conducted by Mr. Seiler. The following motion was passed.

Moved - That we authorize an expenditure of not more than Rs 2 per mensem (unless espec. authorized) for each Native Ch. Agent living in a hired house.

~~Messrs~~ ~~Mrs. Goheen Mrs~~ Messrs Goheen & Seiler read their annual reports. After long deliberation respecting the Ratnagiri field & our need of many more missionaries. the Session was closed with prayer by Dr. Wanless. Adjourned to meet Monday at 10:30 am.

L.B. Ledford Sec.

Eigth Session

Panhala Dec. 30th 1889.

Mission met according to adjournment. All the members present. Devotional exercises by Mr. Graham. Mrs. Hull Mrs. Goheen Mrs. Wilder and Miss Wilder read their annual reports. Dr Wanless gave a verbal report of his short but encouraging experience of medical work in Sangli:

The following motions were passed:

Moved — That Dr. Wanless. Mr. Graham & Miss Wilder be appointed a com. to write an appeal to the Board for 10 new missionaries, one of whom to be a physician, and 5 missionary ladies inclu one physician.

Resolved — That it is the the conviction of the Mission that it is our duty to occupy and cultivate the Ratnagiri field.

Moved. That henceforth no charge for ones own horse or conveyance be allowed on any account.

Moved to adjourn to meet at the appointed hour Closed with prayer by Mr. Tedford.

9th Session

Dec. 31 — 1889.

Mission met according to adjournment. Prayer by Mr. Goheen. All members present.

After due consideration of the Boards Circular of Jan 29th 1889. the following motion was passed.

Moved — That in accordance with the requirements of the Boards Circular of Jan. 29 — 1889, our annual meeting be held at Panhala, the first session to begin Dec. 28 — at 8 P.M. & the Ch. Mela on the 3rd Wed. of Oct. at the same place.

Moved- That under medical advise the Mission reccommend that Mrs. Tedford and children be permitted to go to America in the Spring of 1890.

Moved- That when any of our Ch. Agents send their children to Schools other than those of our Mission without permission from the Mission, their allowance for those children cease. Adjourned to meet at the usual hour tomorrow morning. Closed with prayer by Dr. Wanless.

10th Session.

Panhala Jan. 1st 1890

Mission met according to adjournment. Devotional exercises in Marathi by Mr. Tedford. All the members present.

Messrs. Graham and Tedford read their annual reports. The following motions were passed.

Moved- That Mr. Tedford be allowed Rs 99. from the Local Fund to defray expense incurred in building a carriage house and stable in Sangli.

Moved. That we ask for a sum of ~~Rs~~ 300 to print at the Education Societies press an edition for use in our Mission Schools of the charts prepared by Mrs. Tedford.

Moved - That Mr. Graham's resignation of the superintendency of the Boys' School at Sangli be accepted.

Moved - That the Mission place in the hands of Miss. Wilder a call to the superintendency of the Boys Boarding School at Sangli.

On motion adjourned to meet at the usual hour. Closed with prayer by Mr Goheen

Eleventh Session

Jan. 2nd 1890.

Mission met at the usual hour. Devotional exercises by Mr. Seiler. All the members present. Minutes of previous meeting read. The following expression was ~~made~~ approved in reference to Ratnagiri: "After full and careful consideration of the work of our whole field, we regret that we can not send a missionary to Ratnagiri at present without serious injury to important interests at other Stations."

Moved: That Miss Sherman be stationed at Kolhapur

Moved - That Bapu Miraji be paid Rs 2 per month and allowed all the income of the compound at Panhala for taking care of the bungalow, the out houses and home chapel. It was then moved to adjourn to meet at 7:30 in the evening. Prayer by Mr. Seiler.

12th Session

~~Kolhapur~~ Panhala Jan 2nd 7-30 P.M.

After meeting according to adjournment with all the members present devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Goheen. The following motions were passed:

Moved. That Bhiwaji be transferred to Sangli tobe put under the charge of Mr. Graham.

Moved – That Shidoramji be transferred to Wadgaum and Ramchundra to Kolhapur.

Moved – That we ask the Board for Rs 2000 to secure a building site for a Dispensary or Hospital in Miraj.

Adjourned to meet in Kolhapur Jan 4th at 10:30 a.m. Closed with prayer by Mr. Seiler.

13th Session.

Kolhapur Jan. 4th 1890.

Mission met in Kolhapur, all the members being present. Devotional exercises by Mr Tedford. The following communication was received:

I agree to accept temporarily the superintendence of the Boys School in Sangli. With this understanding that the missionary in charge of the station share responsibility.

Jan. 4. 1890. Grace E. Wilder.

After long and careful discussion of the Panhala Dispensary, the following motion was passed.
Moved - That Sonaji Ghorji be employed for one year under direct superintendence of Dr. Wanless at Sangli; on an allowance of Rs 25 per mensem.

Moved - That we request the Board to send Mr. Jolly to our Mission to take charge of Mission building & instruct our Christian boys in industrial work; provided he consents to come on a salary of $720 per annum. And that we urge upon the Board the necessity of having him start for the Mission field early in the fall.
On motion adjourned to meet at 7:30 this evening.
Closed with prayer by Dr. Wanless.

14th Session.

Jan. 4. 1890

Mission met pursuant to adjournment with all the members present. Devotional exercises by Mr. Tedford. Minutes of previous meeting read & approved. The following motions were passed.
Moved - That Tukaram Mali be employed to take ~~charge~~ care of the bungalow, compound & town chapel in Ratnagiri for Rs 6 per mensem, until a missionary is sent to that place.

Moved- That Mr. Tedford's expenditure of Rs 16-2-9 for repairs on school room at Sangli be authorized as a proper Mission charge & paid from the Local Fund.
Moved- That for the present Ramchundra be stationed at Panhala.
Moved- That for the present Sidderam be allowed to go to Sangli to be under the treatment of Dr. Wanless, & that in the meantime Bhikuji Powar be sent to Wadgaum to fill his place.
Moved- That Mrs. Hull Miss. Ewalt & Miss. Sherman be allowed to spend the hot season at Ratnagiri.

Messrs. Goheen & Graham were appointed a Com. on examination of missionaries.
Moved. That with a view to obtaining a claim upon Miraj Govindrao Malap be sent to teach & preach at that place under charge of Mr. Tedford.

Moved- That Dr. Wanless & Mr. Tedford be appointed a Com. to look for and provided the Board sanction an appropriation ~~an appropn~~ for that object, secure a suitable site for a Dispensary or Hospital in Miraj.
Adjourned to meet Monday Jan. 6th at 7:30 a.m.
Closed with prayer by Mr. Graham.

15th Session

Kolhapur Jan 6 - 1898

Mission met pursuant to adjournment. All the members present. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Siler. The following motions were passed.

Moved. That the printing of the Bible Index prepared by Mr. Ferris be placed in the hands of the Pub. Com. together with the Rs 500 sanctioned by the Board for its publication; and that the Com. be instructed to ask the American Tract Society for a grant of $200 towards its publication.

Moved. That Messrs Goheen and Ledford be appointed a Com. of Arrangements to assign subjects, appoint speakers & make out a programme for the Ch. Mela to be held in October.

Moved. That we urge the Board to send us an ~~urge~~ earnest Christian layman specially fitted to carry on the Mission High School at Kolhapur; said man to be one of the ten already asked for.

Moved. That Mr. Siler and family be permitted to spend the coming hot season at Mahableshwar.

Owing to the increased price of building materials and the higher wages paid to workmen on account of the railroad being built through our mission field, it is found that it is impossible to complete the church at Sangli on the appropriation received from the Board. As the work is now going on rapidly without opposition on the part of the local Government or people of Sangli; and there is urgent need of the building at once.—

Moved – That we ask the Board for an additional appropriation of $_1000_, and urge upon them the necessity of sanctioning this amount _at once_ without waiting until the time for considering the regular estimates for the work of the coming year.

Moved – That Tyapa be placed under the charge of Mr. Seiler for one year on an allowance of Rs 5 per mensem. Tyapa to remain in school for eight months, and to teach the remaining four months.

The Com. appointed to consider the advisability of establishing a Theological School for the education of a native ministry made the following report:

The Com. on the Establishment of a Theological Sem. held a meeting in Kolhapur Wed. evening Feb. 13-89 and after some consideration it was decided to give expression to their opinion by the following Resolution. Whereas in view of the increase of the number of Native Ch. young men some of whom are already engaged in evangelistic work, it seems desireable for their further development in theological knowledge as well as for the preparation of young candidates for the ministry to establish a theological school in Kolhapur with a view to its being developed into a regular theological Sem. Said class to be taught for three months in the rainy season of each year.

Resolved - That we reccommend to the Mission (1) The establishment of such a class this next rainy season, the first session to open on the 15th of June next - (2) That said class consist of ~~the~~ helpers reccommended by the missionaries of the different stations (3) That the course of study for the present year be as follows: the course for future years to be determined by the Mission hereafter.

I Bible Exegesis

Genesis 4 hours per week. Matthew 5-7 chaps 1 hour per week

III Theology: (1) Shorter Catechism (with Scriptural proofs) – thro' the 44th Question, (2) Lectures

IIII Homiletics

IV Church History –

V Marathi – Reading, writing & composition

(4) Said class to be taught this year by the missionaries in Kolhapur –

Com. { Harris
Seiler
Goheen

The Report was accepted & the ~~Com~~ Com. discharged.

The following estimates for the year were then made out and sanctioned.

Kolhapur

		Last year
Native Helpers – – –	Rs 600	300
Schools (vernacular) —	1 500	100
Building and Repairs – —	500	500
Girls Boarding School	1 500	150
Bible Women	75	50
Pundit	225	150
Touring	100	150
Books	125	100
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Kolhapur – Continued

Postage –	Rs 25	20
Care of Chapel	25	25
Traveling — —	150	125
Change for Health —	1000	600
Miscellaneous	100	100
English High School	500	None
Printing Annual Reports —	200	None
Mr. Seiler and 4 Children –	$1480	1.99
" Goheen " "	1480	
Mrs Hull and 2 Children	700	
Miss. Ewalt –	500	
" Sherman	500	

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Sangli

Native Helpers	~~Rs~~ 500	300
Building and Repairs –	600	1250
Vernacular Schools	700	650
Bible Woman	75	75
Books	150	150
Care of Chapel	25	25
Traveling –	150	150
Postage	50	50
Pundit	150	150
	2400	

Sangli - Con	Rupees	
Touring —	100	150
Printing School Charts	800	New
Christian Boys School	1600	1500
Medical Work	1500	New
Building Site for Miraj Hospital	2000	
Change for Health	600	600
Miscellaneous	100	Rs 6200
Town Church	$1000	
Furnishing Church	$ 500	
Rev. J. P. Graham	720	
Mrs. Graham & 6 Children	1000	
Rev. L. B. Tedford	720	
Mrs Tedford & 2 Children	600	
Dr & Mrs. Wanless —	1080	
Miss Wilder	500	6120

Panhala

Schools —	~~Rs~~ 650	750
Building & Repairs	100	150
Care of Bungalow	25	New
" " Chapel	25	25
Traveling —	50	50
Miscellaneous	50	100
	900	

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Ratnagiri

Schools —	~~Rs~~ 250	100
Care of Chapel & Bungalow	75	30
Traveling	100	50
Miscellaneous	50	100
Books	50	25
	525	

General

2 Indiana missionaries
1 Lady

10 New Missionaries —	$10800
5 .. Lady ..	2500
Mr. Jolly	720

Officers for the ensuing year were elected and are as follows:

G. W. Seiler —	President
J. P. Graham	Treasurer
L. B. Tedford	Secretary
G W Seiler —	Librarian
Seiler & Goheen	Publishing Committee
Seiler & Goheen	Auditing "

The 17. Regular Meeting of the Kolhapur Mission was closed with prayer by the President - G. W. Seiler

L. B. Tedford Sec.

Special Meeting of the Mission

Kolhapur July 30-1889.

The Mission met at a call of the President to take whatever action seems advisable in consequence of a letter from Dr Gillespie of June 14-1889 - requiring ~~us~~ a reduction of $1600 in our estimates for the current year.

Members present Messrs Seiler, Graham Goheen and Tedford. After long deliberation the following motion was passed

Moved: That our Treasurer be instructed to write to Dr. Gillespie that after a days consideration item by item of the estimates approved by the Board as per his letter of June 14-1889, we are of the opinion that it will not be possible without hinderance & serious injury to our work to reduce these estimates more than $800, and that he earnestly request the Board to grant us the remaining $800.

The meeting adjourned with prayer.

The 18th Regular Meeting of the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India.

Panhala Dec. 29 - 1890

Mission met according to adjournment. Members present - Messrs Seiler, Goheen Tedford Hannum, Irwin Dr. Wanless - Mrs. Wilder. Mrs. Hull, Miss. Wilder Miss Sherman. Miss. Ewalt absent on account of illness Absent in America Messrs Graham & Ferris.
Mr. Hannum preached from John 17:21 - "That they all may be one; as thou Father, art in me and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me."
The minutes of last annual meeting & Circular Motions were read. Mr. Goheen & Dr. Wanless were appointed a Com. on Docket of Business.
The Com. of Arrangements reported as follows:
(1) "Your Com. recommend that we have one session daily from 8:30 am to 4 P.M. with an intermission of two hours at noon." (2) That the first half hour of each session be spent in devotional exercises. (4) That on Sunday Jan. 4 we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at 4:30 P.M. in the Union Chapel - Mr. Seiler to distribute the bread & Mr. Tedford the cup. (5) That the following be the

Program of exercises of the Native Christian Mela to be held Jan. 1-2- & 3rd

First Day.

"The Fruits of the Pentecostal Baptism" - Shidaramjee. Acts 2-Chap
"The Fearful Condition of the Heathen" - Somajee Ghorojee. Is. 1-6. Rom 1:18-32
"The Importance of Christians Being Truthful & Honest." 1 Thes 4:11-12

Second Day.

"Sympathy for the Heathen" Mr. Bhikajee Power. Eph. 2:1-5
"Personal Duties of Christians". Mr. Surtoba Acts 9:6-
"God's Grace Appreciated by His Justice". Chundoba. Rom. 3:20 & 10:4

Third Day-

"The Mutual Duties of Parents & Children". Eph. 6:1-4
"Faith and Hope in Sowing the Word" - Anandrao - Mark 4:26-29.
The Necessity of the New Birth - Shivaram John 3:7.

Com. { J. M. Goheen
L. B. Tedford

The Com. on Docket of Business reported as follows:
(1) Reading Circular Motions
(2) Reading Annual Reports.
(3) Appt. of Comms. of Arrangements
(4) Miscellaneous Business -
(5) Appt of Missionaries to Stations
(6) " " Teachers & Catechists to Stations
(7) Report of Committees.

(8) Changes for Health.
9) Petitions of Native Helpers.
(10) Estimates
(11) Election of Officers.

Com. { J M Goheen
Dr. Wanless

Mrs. Wilder Mr. Goheen & Mr. Seiler read their annual reports. Adjourned to meet at 8:30 tomorrow a.m.
Closed with prayer by Mr. Hannum

Second Session

Panhala Dec. 30 - 1890.

Mission met according to adjournment. All members present as on previous day. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Devotional exercises by Mr. Goheen
Miss Wilder, Mrs. Hull Miss. Sherman Dr Wanless and Mr. Tedford read their annual reports. Some remarks were made by our new missionaries Messrs Hannum Irwin Mrs Hannum & Miss. Irwin.

The Circular Motions for the year were read & they are chronologically as follows:

Moved That Mr Seiler be elected to the office of Treasurer in place of Mr. Graham who asks to be relieved owing to the pressure of other duties in connection with the work of the Sangli Station. Feb. 10 - 1890

Moved That Sangjii Gherogii receive Rs 30 per month for his services at Sangli   February

Moved That Mr. Tedford be authorized to secure a building in Miraj to be used as a dwelling for a Native Ch. Agent and School house at a rent not exceding Rs 3 per month.   Feb. 26—90

As the Board has granted Mr Graham leave to return to America and he expects to sail from Bombay next month, **Moved**. That in the meantime Mr. Tedford be placed in charge of the Sangli Station

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April 14—90.

Moved That Sonshoker be put on catechists pay— begining from first of this month. May 12—90.

As Bhunage has returned and has expressed great willingness to work where the Mission may place him **Moved**— That he be restored to Mission employment and allowed his former pay. This motion to take effect from June 5th 1890.   Sangli June 3rd 90

Moved That Mrs. Goheen be permitted to employ Nigudker as a teacher in the Ch. Girls School on an allowance of Rs 15 per month; and that she be allowed to pay Sonubai Bairaba Rs 3 per mensem as pupil teacher.

July 5th 1890

Moved - That the Girls School in Aditwar Peit Kolhapur be taken under care of the Mission and Santabai the teacher receive an allowance of Rs 4 per month - Kolhapur Aug. 90

Moved - That we ask the Board to allow us to use the money remaining in the Local Fund at the end of the last Fiscal Year, for repairing the Chapel in Kolhapur city. Aug. 19 - 1890.

Moved That Rajāhram Soni be employed 1½ hours daily in the Sangli Girls School on a pay of Rs 2 per month, and that a woman be paid Rs 3 per month for collecting girls. This to take effect from Sept. 1st 1890.

Moved that this year the "Melä" be held at Panhala on the 1 - 2 & 3rd of Jan. 1891 instead of the 3rd Wednesday of Oct. 1890. Sept 23 - 1890.

Moved That Mrs. Hull be allowed to ask the Board of Foreign Missions New York, for permission to return to America in the Spring of 1891.

Oct. 24 - 90.

Moved That Mrs. Hull be allowed Rs 4 per month for rent of school ~~house~~ room as her former school house - city chapel - is undergoing repairs

Dec. 2nd 1890

Examination of new missionaries

Moved That Mr. Seiler be authorised by the Mission to ask the Board for leave to return to America next April, as Drs. Sinclair & Manless both advise it, on account of Mrs. Seilers frail health.

Dec. 1890

The Com on examination of new missionaries reported as follows: Your Com. appt. to examine Miss. Ewalt beg to report that She presented herself for examination in the first years Studies at Panhala April 28-1890. As Mr Graham couldnot be present Mrs. Hull kindly assisted with the examination. The result is as follows:

Reading -	85	Analysis -	87½
Pronunciation -	82½	Marathi into English	90
Explanation -	88	English into Marathi	74
Conversation -	85	General Average	84½

J. M. Gotham char. of Com.

April 28th 1890

Your Com. on examination of missionaries beg to report that Miss. Sherman presented for exam. in the first years Studies at Kolhapur Dec 20-1890 Mr Graham being absent in America Mr Seiler kindly assisted. Result as follows:

Examination of new missionaries

Reading -	86	Analysis -	89
Pronunciation -	89	Marathi into English	94½
Explanation	83½	English into Marathi	84
Conversation -	94	General Average =	88 4/7

Dec 22nd 1890   J. M. Goheen chairman

Your Com on examination of missionaries beg to report that Dr. Wanless presented himself for examination in the first years studies at Panhala Dec. 29-1890. In the absence of Mr Graham Mr. Seeley assisted. Result as follows:

Reading -	73½	Analysis -	72½
Pronunciation	70	Marathi into English	90
Explanation	56	English into Marathi	70
Conversation	80	General Average	73 1/7

Dec. 29-1890

The Publishing Com. reported as follows: The Pub. Com. beg to report that they asked the American Tract Society for $200 for the Bible Index as recommended by the Mission and received it; the amount being in Rupees 516.0-11. The Board also granted the Rs 500 asked for. The Marathi Bible Index was pub. in Sept last (that is 1000 copies) and as a correspondence

Site for Hospital in Miraj

is going on between Mr. Seiler & the Education Societies press about the cost of the publication, the above grants are in the hands of the Pub. Com.

Com { G.W. Seiler
{ J.M. Goheen

Your Com. appointed to see about purchasing a site for a Hospital in Miraj, beg to report that several visits were made to that place, and find there is only one suitable site available, and we would suggest that the Mission urge upon the Board importance of granting the appropriation this year for the purchasing of this site which if not secured in the near future may greatly interfere with our getting a foot-hold in that place, and the property may go into other hands from which it may be impossible to purchase it.
The Report was accepted and the Com. discharged

Com { W. J. Wanless
{ J. B. Tedford

After considerable discussion on the subject of industrial training as contained in the Board's circular letter of Nov. 29th, Miss Wilder & Dr. Wanless were appointed a Com. to frame a suitable reply.

Moved - That Miss. Wilder and Dr. Wanless of Sangli and Miss Sherman and Mr. Goheen of Kolhapur be appointed Coms. to prepare typical reports from

Industrial department

the individual reports of their respective stations, to be sent to the Board.

Adjourned to meet at the usual hour. Closed with prayer by Dr. Wanless

3rd Session.

Mission met at the appointed hour with devotional exercises by Mr. Lefford. All members present. The Com. on proposed Industrial Education reported as follows: Your Com. would suggest the following reply to the Boards letter of Nov. 29th regarding the question of Industrial work in the Kolhapur Mission: After careful consideration we would say that we as a Mission are unanimously of the Opinion that industrial work is necessary for the following reasons:

(1) Honest trained native workmen are such arguments for Christianity as are greatly needed in this field.

(2) A trained Christian artisan can command higher wages than an untrained one, and by his honesty will be ~~both~~ likely to both obtain constant employment, and command the respect of all patrons. We have now in the Mission a few workmen trained outside who warrant the above statement.

(3) Trained Christian men will be able to earn a livelihood independent of the Mission and thus correct the common accusation that they become such in order to be supported.

(4) As soon as our native Christians become ~~independ~~ self supporting, just so soon may we expect a self supporting native church.

(5) It is very important that every boy trained in the Ch. Boys Boarding School. should have some knowledge of industrial work both for his physical good while in the school, and usefulness after leaving school. Moreover it will make labour (manual) honorable among native Christians.

(6) It will be the means of bringing ~~Christian~~ heathen boys under Ch. instruction and thus become a direct evangelizing agency.

In regard to the estimate of a plant we believe $1000 would be sufficient to make a fair beginning in the work. Such costly machines as engine and boiler, plainer etc mentioned by Mr. Jolly would not in our judgement be practicable for some time to come.

At present the following lines of work suggest themselves to us as necessary:
(1) A moulding Shop for cast boxings, sugar cane mills, and a few other castings requiring but very little machinery to finish.
(2) Printing only for Mission purposes.
(3) The manufacture of School Slates.
(4) Carpentering and carriage work.
(5) Mission Building.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Kolhapur Mission.

W. J. Wanless Ch. of Com

P.S.

The above estimate does not include the cost of a bungalow, which eventually will be required, and at a probable cost of $1000.

The Report as above was accepted and the Secretary instructed to forward a copy to the Board.

After long deliberation on the Board's letter of Nov 29 and the designation of new missionaries to stations, Messrs Siler and Tedford were appointed a Com. on the former, and Mr. Goheen, Dr Wanless & Miss Patton on the latter. The latter Com. reported and the following motions were passed.

Assignment of new Missionaries

Moved - That Mr. and Mrs. Hannum and Miss Sherman be Stationed at Ratnagiri.

Moved That Mr. & Miss. Irwin be stationed in Kolhapur - Miss Irwin to assist Mrs Goheen in the Girls School during the illness of Miss. Ewalt and Mr. Irwin to take charge of Mission High School on the departure of Mr. Seiler for America.

Moved - That Mr. Ledford spend the next hot season in Ratnagiri.

Moved - That for the present Miss. Patton be Stationed in Kolhapur.

Moved That Mr. Goheen and family be authorized to spend the hot season at Mahableshwar.

Moved That Anandrao Luxman be sent to Ratnagiri to complete his course of Study in English, and be granted Rs 4 per month towards his support.

Moved. That Khandoba Luxman be stationed at Ratnagiri in Charge of Mr. Hannum.

The Motion to send Shivram Masoo to Sangli was laid on the table.

Moved - To adjourn to meet - next Monday Jan 5 - at 8:30 a.m. on account of Mela.

Closed with prayer by Mr Seiler

Fourth Session.

Panhala Jan 5. 1891.

Mission met according to adjournment. All the members present. Devotional exercises by Dr. Wanless. The following motions were passed:

Moved That Dr. Wanless and family be authorized to spend the hot season at Panhala.

Moved That on account of meeting of Presbytery we adjourn to meet at 8 o'clock this evening.

Closed with prayer by
Mr. Hannum.

5 Session.

Monday Evening.

Mission met according to adjournment with all members present. The following motions were passed.

Moved - That Mrs. & Miss. Wilder be authorized to spend the hot season at Panhala.

Moved - That to each native helper while engaged in ~~the~~ actual touring, we allow ans. 2 per day for extra personal expenses, provided he remain away from home for fifteen consecutive days.

Moved - That the Sec. be instructed to inform Basant Thakur that we can not see our way to grant his request for an increase of pay.

Expenses of ayah to England.
New Helpers

__Moved__ That the Sec be instructed to inform Bhi Kuger Powar ~~that~~ it is not the custom of the Mission to give certificates to our Native Agents. Adjourned to meet at the usual hour — Closed with prayer by Mr. Ledford

__Session Sixth.__

Jan. 6 – 1891

Mission met according to adjournment with all the members present Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Hannum.

Moved – That the expense of an ayah to England to assist Mrs. Seiler with the children be sanctioned by the Mission.

The committees on __Station reports__ for Kolhapur and Sangli reported – their reports were accepted and the Sec. instructed to forward same to the Board –

__Moved__ That we again appeal to the Board & ask for 7 ordained missionaries and 4 lady missionaries including a qualified lady physician; and the layman asked for to take charge of the High School; also Mr. Jolly for Industrial work

~~Moved That~~ Miss. Sherman Mr. Irvin and Mr. Ledford were appointed a Com. to frame an appeal for the missionaries called for.

Moved- That a Com. be appt. to consider the advesability of substituting another prayer instead of the Lord's prayer to be taught in the vernacular schools; and of adding the beatitudes. The Com. to report before next annual meeting.

Com { Miss. Wilder
Mr. Ledford

Moved. That Tyapa Gaikward receive an allowance of Rs 7 per month for the present at Wadgaum & that he be required to teach school there.

Moved That Kishen Padgamal be employed in the Dispensary under care of Dr. Wanless on a pay of Rs 4 per month. This motion to take effect from June 1st 1891.

Moved- That Malu be employed in the Dispensary at Sangli on an allowance of Rs 5 per month.

Mr. Goheen and Miss. Wilder were appt. a Com on the examination of missionaries.

Moved. That Bhewrao Gupte be associated with Vitoba in the Shukrawar Peit aux. School Kolhapur & that he receive Rs 6 per month and be permitted to charge each boy ans. one per month

Action on consolidation of salaries etc.

Moved- That we have 800 copies of our Mission Reports for 1890 printed.

Moved That Dayabai be employed as a Bible woman and teacher, on a pay not to exceed Rs 6 per month

Mrs. Goheen Mr. Tedford and Miss Patton were appointed a Com. on the course of study for the Christian Boarding Schools.

Moved That Somajee Ghorgee be continued under care of Dr. Wanless until the close of the hot season. Closed with prayer by Mr. Irwin.

7th Session.

After opening with the devotional exercises with all members present, the following motions were passed.

Moved That the Report of the Com. to answer the "Boards Com. on India", as corrected be accepted and the Sec. be instructed to forward said Report to the Board. The Report is as follows: In answer to the question of the "Com. on India" about the consolidation of salaries, the Mission would say that if by that term is meant a *fixed* equivalent of rupees to the dollar, as the value of the rupee fluctuates so much, it would neither be just to the Board nor to the missionaries.

(2) As to the question about the management and control of Institutions of higher education by Boards or Directors appt. by Synods, it is the Opinion of the Mission that as our work in this department, as yet, is so limited, and we are so remote from the Northern missions, it would be inexpedient to have such a Board for this Mission at least.

(3) With regard to the Presbyterial control of vernacular or lower education and evangelistic work, we would say that it should be the province of Presbytery to see to the appointment of qualified teachers in schools, and that suitable moral and religious instruction be given in such schools by Ch. agents visiting them regularly. Presbytery should urge upon sessions of churches the necessity of defraying vernacular school expenses and expenses of evangelistic work. Presbytery should select, examine, and supervise the theological training of candidates for the ministry.

(4) As to entrusting the administration of foreign missionary funds to a com. of two members from each mission, we think it would not be advisable for the Kolhapur Mission as it is a thousand miles from the nearest of the North Mission Stations.

Com. } G. W. Seiler
L. B. Tedford

Grant for Miraj Station

In answer to Khundoba Luxman's petition, the Mission would say that of late he began to receive two rupees' allowance for each child. If Mr - Ramchundra Mone of Nagar who graduated at the Theological Sem, were to go to the Concern, he would get 50 per cent more pay than now, but then (having 7 children) he would get not Rs 29 but Rupees 27. Mr. Seiler lived at Ratnagiri about 6 years, and he noticed that some things were dearer and some things cheaper than they are in the Deccan. Therefore we decidedly say that we can not give Khundoba 50 per cent more. See Deut 3:26.

The following motions were passed:

Moved - That the expression "Womans work" in paragraph 30 of the Manual as lately amended be interpreted to mean all work of the Mission in which the women are actively engaged.

Moved - That as in the Opinion of the Mission Miraj presents the most promising field for Medical work, we ask the Board for $ 6000 to open a new Station there, Said sum to cover cost of site, bungalow and building in which to begin Medical work.

Estimates for the ensuing year were made out and itemized according to instructions lately issued by the Board's Financial Com.

Officers for the year were elected and are as follows:

President	Dr. W. J. Wanless
Treasurer	G. W. Seiler Protem
Secretary –	W. H. Hannum
Librarian	Miss. E. Patton
Publishing Com	Miss Sherman & Miss. Wilder
Auditing ..	~~W. H.~~ J. H. Goheen & ~~J. H.~~ W. H. Irvin.

Adjourned to meet at Panhala Dec. 31 - 1891
Closed with prayer by
Mr. Hannum.

G. W. Seiler President
L. B. Tedford Sec.

Minutes, 19th Annual Meeting
American Presbyterian Mission in Western India.

The Nineteenth Annual Meeting of the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India convened in an opening session in the Mission Bungalow at Panhala, at 8:20 P.M. 31st December, 1891.

Mr. Irwin conducted devotional exercises, and preached from Acts 1:8, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

Mr. Graham, as the oldest member present, being called upon, took the Chair in the absence of the President.

Moved: to postpone the reading of minutes to tomorrow morning, and that a Committee of Arrangements and Religious Services be appointed. Carried. The Chairman appointed Messrs. Ferris and Hannum.

Moved: to adjourn to meet tomorrow morning at 10:30. Carried. Adjourned.

Second Session.

The Second Session met at 10:30 A.M. 1st Jan. 1892.

Devotional exercises in Marathi were led by Mr. Graham, in the chapel. The members at 11:05 went to the Bungalow. President Wanless opened the session with prayer.

The roll was called, showing Mr. Graham, Mr Goheen, Mr. Ferris, Mrs. Wilder, Dr. Wanless, Miss Sherman, Mr Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. Hannum, Mr. Jolly, Miss Minor and Miss Jefferson present. Later Mrs. Ferris, Miss Patton, Miss Wilder, Mrs. Wanless, Miss Irwin and Mrs. Jolly came in. Mr and Mrs. Seiler, Mrs. Graham, and Mr. and Mrs. Tedford were absent in the United States, and Mrs. Goheen was absent on account of work at Kolhapur.

The Minutes of the Eighteenth Annual Meeting were read.

Moved: That the Mission declare the following corrections in the minutes of the Eighteenth Annual Meeting:

1. That the opening sermon was preached on 28 December, 1890;

2. That the Circular Motions as recorded were all passed; and

3. That Mr. Ferris was elected Treasurer instead of Mr. Seiler. Carried.

The Minutes of the opening session of the Nineteenth Annual Meeting were read and corrected.

The President appointed Messrs. Goheen and Ferris a Committee on Docket of Business.

After a few minutes cessation of business, the Committee, through Mr. Goheen, reported as follows;

Reading Circular Motions
Reading Annual Reports
Miscellaneous Business
Appointment of Missionaries to Stations
Appointment of Teachers and Catechists to Stations
Reports of Committees
Changes for Health
Estimates
Appointment of Committees,
  1) Of Committee of Arrangements,
  2) Of Committee of Examination of Missionaries
Election of Officers.

J.M. Goheen }
G.H. Ferris } Committee.

On motion the report was adopted, and the Committee discharged.

By general consent the President's Report of Circular Motions was deferred until his papers should arrive.

By privilege Mr. Ferris presented the Report of the Committee of Arrangements thus:

Your Committee of Arrangements and Religious Services for the present Meeting would respectfully recommend;

1. That one session daily be held from 10 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. with an intermission from 12:30 to 2 P.M., and the first half hour of each session be spent in devotional exercises, and

2. That we celebrate the Lord's Supper on Sunday, 10th January, 1892, at 4 P.M., in the home chapel, Mr. Graham to distribute the bread, and Mr. Goheen the cup

Respectfully Submitted,
Geo. H. Ferris,
William H. Hannum } Committee

The Report was on motion adopted.

Recess was taken from 12:30 to 2 P.M.

Moved: That Miss Mary Minor be invited to sit in the sessions of the Mission. Carried. Mrs Ferris was appointed a Committee to convey the invitation. Miss Minor came in.

?? Moved: That for the purpose specified in Paragraph 30 of the Board's Manual, all single women and all married women so desiring be regarded as actively engaged in Mission work and entitled to all the privileges of full membership in the Mission in all questions pertaining to woman's work; woman's work to include (1) all work done for native women and (2) all work in which any woman of the Mission is engaged. Carried.

Reports of Missionaries were called for. Reports were read by Mr. Goheen, Mrs. Wilder, Mr. Hannum, Miss Sherman, Miss Irwin, Mrs Hannum and Miss Wilder. Mr. Jolly made an oral report.

Miscellaneous Business was called. Moved: That Miss Irwin's Preliminary Examination be deferred until May 1, 1892, on account of the trouble which she has had with her eyes. Carried.

A communication from Balaji U. Joshi concerning the Tedford New English School in Ratnagiri was read by the Secretary. Moved: That the Secretary be instructed to reply to Mr. Joshi's petition that at present the Mission does not see its way clear to undertake the charge of the Tedford High School. Carried.

Moved: That Bhiwa Gupti of the Shukrawar School be allowed Rs. 8 per month from Jan. 1, 1892. Carried.

Moved: That Babaji Jain associated with Somshaker Appa in the Shaniwar Boys' School be allowed Rs. 5 per month from Jan. 1, 1892. Carried.

Moved: That Malu be allowed Rs. 7 per mensem from Jan. 1, 1892, as helper in the Sangli Dispensary. Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Goheen.

Third Session.

The Third Session met at 10 A.M. 2 Jan. 1892. Devotional exercises in Marathi were led by Mr. Goheen. Members were present as at the Second Session except that Mrs. Wanless was absent on account of sickness.

The Minutes of the Second Session were read.

Two petitions from Bhiwaji Kale were presented. They were respectively on the subjects of support of his children and of the offer of sale of his house to the Mission. Moved: That the Secretary be instructed to inform Bhiwaji that the Mission does not see its way clear to change its rules in reference to support of children during vacation. Carried. Moved: That the Secretary be instructed to inform Bhiwaji that the Mission does not see its way clear to purchase his house. Carried.

Moved: That a Committee be appointed to revise the Constitution of the Mission, to report before the adjournment of this Mission Meeting. Carried. The President appointed Mr. Ferris, Mr. Hannum and Miss Patton.

Moved: That the Board be requested to appoint Miss Hitchcock of New York City to this Mission, according to her proposition as follows: That she is not to receive anything from the Board as salary or expenses for the first two years from her appointment, and that if she proves able to do the work, she then be recognized as a regular missionary with full salary and privileges as such. Carried.

Moved: That a Committee of the following four ladies, Mrs. Wilder, Miss Wilder, Miss Jefferson and Miss Minor, be appointed to write an appeal to the New York Woman's Board asking for the sum of five thousand dollars to secure property at Mahabaleshwar for a sanitarium. Carried

The hour for intermission having almost arrived, it was Moved. That we adjourn to meet Monday, 4 Jan. at 10 A.M. Carried. The Session was adjourned with prayer by Mr. Ferris.

Fourth Session.

The Fourth Session met at 10 A.M., 4 Jan., 1892. Devotional exercises in Marathi were led by Mr. Ferris. The same members were present as at the Third Session.

The Minutes of the Third Session were read and corrected.

The President presented his Report of Circular Business. The Motions were as follows, chronologically arranged:

Moved: That Sonubai Baigubai Thakur be employed in Mrs. Hull's School as teacher from January, 1891, at Rs. 5 per mensem

Kolhapur, Jan. 29, 1891 Passed.

Since in the opinion of Dr. Sinclair and Dr. Wanless it is necessary for Miss Ewalt to return home and to have a nurse as far as England, Moved. That these expenses be sanctioned by the Mission.

Kolhapur, 30 Jan. 1891 Passed.

Moved: That we ask the Board for Rs. 300 received during the present fiscal year for the sale of bottles, medical fees and gifts, said sum to be added to the appropriations for medical work for the present year, (May 1890 to May 1891).

Sangli, Jan 31, 1891 Passed

Moved: That Mr. Ferris be authorized to stay in Kolhapur a few weeks to assist Mr. Seiler in the revision of his Commentary on Isaiah and to take over the Treasuryship

Kolhapur, Feb. 2, 1891 Passed.

Moved: That the following be sent as an official reply to the Board's letter of Feb. 20, 1891.

April 6, 1891 Passed.

Rev. John Gillespie, D.D.

Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, New York

Dear Dr. Gillespie:

As a Mission we desire to bring the following before the Board in reply to your letter of Feb. 20, 1891.

1st. Regarding the consolidation of salaries. As a Mission we are obliged to vote against it, for the following reasons.

I It will make a distinction between missionaries.

(a) As to children. The missionary with six children cannot live on the allowance for one with no children or with only one or two.

(b) As to medical aid. Those living near a missionary physician would be at no expense, whereas those in a place like Ratnagiri where living is much more expensive and fees have to be paid would be called upon to pay for medical attendance.

(c) As to health changes. Some missionaries require more frequent changes to Mahabaleshwar than others, owing to the climate of their stations being more trying and their own health not being as good as that of others.

(d) As to traveling. Missionaries at Ratnagiri would be at more expense than those at Kolhapur or Panhala where the annual meeting is held.

II It would result, unless the consolidated salary were on a most liberal basis, in causing many missionaries to remain at home after their first ten years' service, more than have to remain at home now, on account of the inadequacy of their salaries.

III It would very likely necessitate the return to America of some now on the field who already find it difficult to provide for the education of their children in America.

IV We can see no basis for such consolidation which would not work injustice either to the Board on the one hand or to some of the missionaries on the other. If the basis of consolidation were the average expense of all the missionaries on the Indian field, then some missionaries would have to suffer to benefit others who are in no need of such benefits. If the basis be that of the missionary who has the largest expense in caring for his family, changes for health etc., then it will be an injustice to the Board, increasing largely its expense where such increase is neither needed nor called for.

2nd. In regard to opening a new station at Miraj.

I Previous to the opening of the Sangli Station, efforts were made to secure a building site in Miraj, but this was given up temporarily owing to the opposition of the then political agent, nominally on account of the minority of the Chief of Miraj.

II An opening was providentially made in Sangli and it was deemed best to begin work there, hoping however to eventually be able to occupy Miraj.

III In order to successfully carry on the work of this part of our field it was also deemed best (and is still) that both Miraj and Sangli should be occupied, and as Sangli then presented an opening, the Mission resolved to ask the Board to open work there. It was not that Sangli was then considered the most important "or a centre of work along the line of railway" but simply that it should be taken possession of while an opportunity offered.

IV. Miraj was then and is still considered by the Mission to be the most important on account of its railway connections and greater population. [The railway runs through the city, while at Sangli the station is three miles from the city. Miraj is now the junction of the Kolhapur and Southern Marathi Railway, and is on the main line of the latter, which connects with railways to Bombay, Madras and other important cities north, south and east. A new railway is proposed to Pandharapur, the Hindu Jerusalem of the Bombay Presidency, which if built will give Miraj railways running into it from all four points of the compass; and as a city it is destined to become one of the largest in the Southern Marathi Country.]

Sangli too is a thriving city and we hold that both cities should be occupied as stations But looking forward we believe it would be a mistake to establish the Mission hospital in Sangli while so many greater advantages are to be obtained in Miraj.

∨ Further if the required number of missionaries to carry on evangelistic, medical, educational and industrial work were stationed at Sangli, at least additional property and two new bungalows would be required. So that concerning the expense of opening work at Miraj it is only a question of the cost of a new church, which although it would ultimately be required, still with a church in Sangli and the evangelistic nature of the medical work, would not be an immediate need.

Respectfully Submitted on behalf of the Mission.

Moved: That Mr. Tedford be authorized to spend a few days at Panhala from the 15th of May.

Ratnagiri, April 29th 1891. Passed May 8, 1891.

Moved: That Miss Patton be permitted to spend the remainder of the hot season at Mahabaleshwar and that Mr. and Miss Irwin be permitted to do the same at Panhala.

Passed May 1, 1891.

Moved: That the Kolhapur Mission request the Board to grant for Ratnagiri Station in addition to the estimates made for 1891-92, the following amounts:

Class V - Education	Rs. 60.	$22.
" VII - Property in use	240	88.
Total	300	110

The reasons for this request are, I That Ratnagiri had been so long vacant that it was difficult to predict its needs on re-occupation; and II That the missionaries assigned to Ratnagiri could not reach their Station in time to use any considerable portion of the appropriations for 1890-91, as will be seen from the Treasurer's Report.

Ratnagiri, 4th May, 1891. Passed May 15, 1891.

Moved: That Mr. Ferris be authorized to spend the rainy season at Kolhapur to assist in the work of that Station.

May 19, 1891. Passed May 25, 1891.

Moved: That Somaji Gharoji be continued at Sangli.

May 19, 1891. Passed May 25, 1891.

Moved: That a Committee of four be appointed to examine the records and papers of the Mission and destroy any papers of the Mission which they may consider unnecessary to preserve.

May 19, 1891. Passed May 25, 1891.

Appointed on Committee Revd's J. M. Goheen, G. H. Ferris, and L. B. Tedford and Dr. W. J. Wanless.

Owing to ill health, which prevented Anandrao Lakshman from going to Ratnagiri in accordance with the motion passed at last Mission Meeting, Moved: That he be authorized to live at Sangli under the care of Dr Wanless and pursue his English studies, and that he receive a Mission allowance of Rs. 4 per mensem.

June 1, 1891 Passed.

Moved: That Sayad Abdhul be employed in the Sangli Dispensary as a medical assistant on pay of Rs. 8 per mensem, motion to take effect from 1st May.

June 5th. Passed.

Moved: That L. B. Tedford be authorized to ask the Board to approve of his return to America in the coming Autumn.

Sangli June 4, 1891. Passed.

Moved: That Mrs. Goheen be allowed to employ Piraji Dada to act as Hamal and Pati-wala in the

Girls' Boarding School on an allowance of Rs 6 per mensem, to take effect from 1st June, 1891.
Sangli June 12, 1891 Passed.

Moved: That Mr. Goheen be allowed to re-employ Somshakerappa on trial as a teacher in Kolhapur. This to take effect from June 1, 1891.
Sangli, June 12, 1891. Passed.

Moved: That Miss Wilder be authorized to employ a master for the Boys' Boarding School on pay not to exceed Rs 15. This motion to take effect from 18th July, 1891.

Passed.

Moved: That when the wife of a helper dies leaving children under eight years of age, the wife's allowance of two rupees per month be continued to the husband until the youngest child is eight years old when said allowance shall cease.
Kolhapur, Aug. 3, 1891 Passed.

Whereas the schools mentioned below have been in successful operation for three months and the average attendance has increased

at Ratnagiri from 25 in May to 49 in July;
" Karale " 15 " " " 49 " " ; and
" Pomendi " 20 " " " 25 " " :

Moved: That the three vernacular schools at

Ratnagiri, Karale and Pomendi be taken under the care of the Mission, and that the Mission assume their support from 1st May, 1891, so far as the appropriation permits; the two masters at Ratnagiri being paid Rs 5 a month each, and those at Karale and Pomendi being paid on commission.

Ratnagiri 10 August 1891 Passed Sept. 1, 1891.

Moved: That Miss Sherman and Mr. and Mrs. Hannum be allowed to spend October, 1891, at Amba for health.

Ratnagiri 27 August 1891 Passed Sept. 4, 1891.

Moved: That from Sept. 1st till Mr. Graham's arrival, or until Mission Meeting, Dr. Wanless be placed in charge of Sangli Station.

Kolhapur, Sept. 1, 1891 Passed Sept. 3, 1891.

Moved: That the Mission give to Daniel P. Jadhav in trust a plot of ground on the eastern boundary of the Mission Compound not to exceed 60 x 75 feet, said ground to be used for building a bakery, and not transferable to any other party.

Kolhapur, Sept. 7, 1891. Passed Sept. 11, 1891.

In view of the prospective return of Mr Graham and family to Sangli this Autumn, in view also of the fact that Mr. Jolly and family will necessarily be stationed at Sangli; and as the

Mission bungalow there is already occupied by two families, hence the need of a new bungalow being very urgent, there being no other available bungalow; and whereas an excellent building site has been secured by private funds at Miraj and the money promised to provide for digging a well, Moved: That we ask the Board for permission to occupy Miraj as a Mission station and that we also ask for the sum of two thousand dollars to build a bungalow and out-houses there, and that we earnestly request the Board to make this special appropriation without delay.

Sept. 21, 1891 Passed Sept. 24, 1891.

Moved: That the Motion of 27th August allowing Miss Sherman and Mr. and Mrs. Hannum to spend October at Amba be reconsidered, and that they be allowed to spend that time at Panhala instead.

Ratnagiri 21 Sept. 1891. Passed Oct. 1, 1891.

Moved: That Basantrao Baboji Thakur be transferred to Sangli to teach in the Christian Boys' School until Mission Meeting.

Oct. 26, 1891. Passed Oct. 31, 1891

Moved: That the Mission approve of Mr. Ferris's endeavor to build a small bungalow at Kodoli for Mission purposes. Passed.

By general consent the Mission returned to the order of Reports of Missionaries. Miss Patton read her report; Mr. Goheen read Mrs. Goheen's report; Mr Ferris read his report; Mr. Irwin read his report, including a report from Shivaram Masoji; & Dr. Wanless read his report.

Miscellaneous Business was again called.

Mr. Ferris read a letter addressed by an Acting Secretary of the Board to Mr. Seiler concerning the occupation of Miraj. Mr. Ferris orally presented the greeting of Mr. Wm Dulles Jr. to the Mission. Mr. Goheen orally presented the greeting of Dr. Gillespie to the Mission.

The President presented a petition from Khandoba Lakshman Padaghalamal asking for increase of pay.

Intermission was taken from 12:30 to 2 P.M.

Moved: That the Secretary be instructed to inform Khandoba Lakshman that the Mission, having considered his petition, does not see its way clear to take any action regarding it. Carried.

Moved: That the policy begun in the Mission High School of asking a grant-in-aid from the Kolhapur State for use in secular instruction be approved, provided no condition is complied with that would compromise the School's Christian character, or interfere with its control by the Mission.

Moved: That the Motion lie upon the table until we come to estimates. Carried.

Moved: That as the Rev. Jas. Smith, of the London Mission, Belgaum, has informed us that they are willing to give up all claims to Israel on account of support while in our schools, we receive him under our care for one year on trial, and that J.M. Goheen be allowed Rs 5, A's 8, per mensem for his support while in the Mission High School, on condition that he agrees to remain in the Mission until released. Carried.

Moved: That a Committee be appointed to collate the Mission rules in reference to Native Agents, and their pay and perquisites. Carried. The President appointed Mr. Graham and Miss Wilder as the Committee.

Moved: That a Committee of three be appointed to make recommendations on location of missionaries, to report at 10:30 A.M., 5th January. Carried. The President appointed Mr. Goheen, Mr. Ferris and Miss Sherman as the Committee.

Moved: That a Committee of two be appointed to examine the Mission Library and dispose of all useless books. Carried. The President appointed Mr. Irwin and Miss Patton as the Committee.

Moved: That the Mission ask for an appropriation to build a kitchen for the Girls' Boarding School.

Moved: That the Motion be laid upon the table. Carried.

Moved: That our Christian Boys' Boarding School at Sangli and the Mission High School at Kolhapur, together with the Industrial Department of the Christian Boys' School, be consolidated at Kolhapur, with a boarding department, and that the Mission declare its intention of thus building up a single, complete school including eventually collegiate and theological departments to thoroughly equip our own helpers.

The Motion was, on Motion, referred to the Committee on Location of Missionaries, and Mr. Graham was, by general consent, added to the Committee.

Moved: That we ask the Board for an appropriation to buy ground and erect buildings for a house for native teacher, and a school-house at Islampur. Carried.

Moved: That we ask the Board for an appropriation to build a kitchen for the Sangli bungalow. Carried.

The Session was adjourned with prayer by Mr. Jolly.

Fifth Session.

The Fifth Session met at 10 A.M., 5th January, 1892.

Devotional exercises in Marathi were led by Dr. Wanless. The same members were present as at the Fourth Session.

The Minutes of the Fourth Session were read and corrected.

President Wanless excused himself from the meeting, and Mr. Graham took the Chair.

By general consent the special order set for 10:30 A.M. on this day, that is, the report of the Committee on Location of Missionaries, was deferred.

The Report of the Committee on Examination was called. Mr. Goheen read the Report, as follows:

Your Committee on Examination of Missionaries beg to report that Rev. Wm H. Hannum presented himself for the First Year's Examination Oct. 28th 1891. As Miss Wilder could not be present, Rev. G. H. Ferris kindly assisted with the examination. The result was as follows:

Reading and Pronunciation	96½
Explanation	96
Analysis	92
Conversation	85
Translation, Marathi to English	98
" , English " Marathi	75½
General Average	90½

Oct. 28, 1891. J. M. Goheen, Ch'm of Comm.

Your Committee on Examination of Missionaries beg to report that Dr. Wanless presented himself for the Second Years' Examination at Sangli, Dec 19th 1891. The result was as follows:

1 Reading and Pronunciation	88½
2 Meaning	79½
3 Grammar	62½
4 Oral Translation, Marathi to English	85½
5 Written " , " " "	87½
6 Oral " , English " Marathi	94
7 Written " , " " "	70
8 Conversation with Native	81½
9 Reading Marathi Letter	55
10 Writing Answer to Marathi Letter	81
General Average	78½

Dec. 19, 1891 J.M. Goheen, Ch'm'n of Comm.

Miss Sherman presented herself for the Second Year's Examination at Panhala Jan. 2nd, 1892. The result was as follows:

1 Reading and Pronunciation	96
2 Meaning	91½
3 Grammar	90
4 Oral Translation, Marathi to English	97
5 Written " , " " "	96
6 Oral " , English " Marathi	95

7 Written Translation, English to Marathi	96½
8 Conversation	96
9 Reading Marathi Letter	89½
10 Writing Answer to Marathi Letter	98½
General Average	94⅗

Panhala, Jan. 4th 1892 J.M. Goheen, Ch'm'n of Comm.

Mrs. Hannum presented herself for the Preliminary Examination at Panhala Jan. 2nd 1892. The result was as follows:

1 Reading and Pronunciation	95
2 Explanation	61
3 Analysis	77½
4 Conversation	67½
5 Translation, Marathi to English	93
6 " , English " Marathi	69
General Average	77⅙

Panhala, Jan. 4th 1892 J.M. Goheen, Ch'm'n of Comm.

Rev. J.M. Irwin presented himself for the Preliminary Examination at Panhala, Jan. 2nd, 1892 The result was as follows:

1 Reading and Pronunciation	95
2 Explanation	87½
3 Analysis	92½
4 Conversation	84
5 Translation, Marathi to English	99

6 Translation, English to Marathi 82

General Average 90

Panhala, Jan. 4th, 1892 J. M. Goheen, Ch'm'n of Comm.

The Report was received.

The Special Order for the day was called, and Mr. Goheen presented the Report of the Committee on Location of Missionaries, as follows:

Your Committee would recommend

I That the proposition for the removal of the Boys' School to Kolhapur is impracticable.

II That Mrs. and Miss Wilder be removed from Sangli to Kolhapur to take charge of the two girls' schools in the city, and to engage in zenana work.

That Miss Patton be put in charge of the Girls' Boarding School in place of Mrs. Goheen resigned, and Miss Irwin assist her.

That Miss Minor and Miss Jefferson be stationed at Ratnagiri.

That Mr. Graham have charge of the Sangli Station.

That Mr. and Mrs. Jolly be stationed at Sangli to organize the Industrial Department of the Boys' Boarding School.

That Miss Sherman be put in charge of the Boys' Boarding School.

That Dr. and Mrs. Wanless be authorized to rent a bungalow and reside in Miraj.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. M. Goheen, G. H. Ferris, J. H. Sherman,
J. P. Graham, — Committee.

On Motion the Report was received, and the Committee was discharged. On Motion the Report was considered seriatim. Discussion followed, on the first recommendation of the Report.

President Wanless resumed the Chair. Intermission was taken from 12:30 to 2 P.M.

After consideration of the remaining sections of the Report, it was Moved: That we adopt the Report. Carried.

Mr. Ferris presented the Report of the Committee on Revision of the Constitution, as follows:

Your Committee on Revision of the Constitution would recommend:

1 That the Constitution be revised according to the accompanying draft;

2 That in election of the Committees of Auditing, Publication and Examination at this Meeting, one member on each be elected for two years and one for one year; and that on the Building Committee one member be elected for three years, one for two years and one for one year;

3. That the Constitution as revised be in force from its adoption.

4. That 100 copies of the Constitution as revised be printed, and that a broad margin on each page be reserved for amendments.

Geo. H. Ferris, William H. Hannum, Esther Patton, Committee.

The Draft of the Constitution as recommended to be revised is as follows.

Constitution of the
American Presbyterian Mission
in Western India.

Article I

Officers of the Mission.

Officers.

Section 1. The officers of the Mission shall be a President, Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian, to be chosen at each Annual Meeting, and an Auditing Committee, a Publishing Committee and an Examining Committee. Each of these Committees shall consist of two members, one member to be chosen at each Annual Meeting to serve two years. There shall be also a Building Committee of three, one member to be chosen at each Annual Meeting to serve three years.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all Mission meetings, call special

meetings at the request of two-thirds of the members,
and in case of business duly proposed and seconded
in writing between meetings to submit the same
President. by circular for the votes of all the members and
promptly make known the result to all, keeping
a record of all such business and submitting it
to the next Mission meeting.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep the
minutes of each meeting, to promptly forward
a copy of them as approved by the Mission
to the Board, and keep a copy of the same in a
Secretary. book of Records for the use of the Mission; he
shall also, when requested, promptly submit for
perusal to each member of the Mission all public
letters sent or received by him and keep the
same or certified copies on file for reference

Section 4. The Treasurer shall have control of the funds of
Treasurer. the Mission, as required in the Board's Manual.

Section 5. The Librarian shall have charge of the Mission
Library, keep a catalogue of the books properly
labelled and numbered, and be responsible for
Librarian their safe keeping, supplying any in the
Library to each member of the Mission for
perusal as they may be required

Section 6. The Auditing Committee shall carefully examine

Auditing Committee

all accounts of the Members and Treasurer, submit any doubtful or unauthorized charges for a vote of the Mission, and when satisfied the accounts are correct, certify the same.

Section 7. Publishing Committee. The Publishing Committee shall have in charge all publication as ordered by the Mission.

Section 8. Examining Committee. The Examining Committee shall examine in the Marathi Language such younger members of the Mission as may present themselves for this purpose. It shall be the duty of the Committee to furnish each new missionary with a list of the requirements. Each member of the Committee shall mark the candidate on each subject on a scale of 100 and the marks of both members shall be averaged, and this result shall be considered the general average grade. The Committee shall report at each Annual Meeting all the examinations held since the last Annual Meeting. The report shall include the average on each subject and the general average grade; and shall state whether the candidate has presented himself within the required time, and if not what excuse has been given.

Section 9. The Building Committee shall examine all plans

Building Committee. for new buildings, and no building shall be erected or altered until the plan thereof has been examined and approved by the Building Committee.

Article II.

Annual Meeting.

Section 1. There shall be an Annual Meeting of the Mission at Panhala to transact its general business, promote individual and social piety, and to devise and adopt the best measures for the most judicious and effective prosecution of its work, – the first session to begin at 8 P.M. on the first Thursday after the 15th of October, At the time appointed the President, or in his absence the oldest member present, shall promptly call to order and open the session with prayer.

Opening

Section 2. The order of business shall be, as near as practicable, the following

Order of Business.

Roll-call
Report of Committee of Arrangements
Reading of Minutes of last previous meeting
President's Report of Circular Business
Reports of Stations
Reports of Missionaries

Reports of Committees
Location of Missionaries and Agents
Miscellaneous Business
Estimates
Appointment of Committee of Arrangements,
Election of Officers
Adjournment

Section 3 Two Missionaries shall be appointed at each Annual Meeting as a Committee of Arrangements for the next Annual Meeting. This Committee shall arrange all sessions and religious services of the meeting, and shall secure and assign lodgings for all members during the Meeting.

Arrangements.

At every Annual Meeting the ordained missionaries shall preach by turns, in the order of seniority in the Mission, one at each Annual Meeting. The Lord's Supper shall be observed at every Meeting.

Section 4. At every Annual Meeting each missionary shall present to the Mission a copy of his report to the Board.

Reports

Section 5. All temporary committees, unless otherwise provided for, shall be appointed by the President.

Five members shall constitute a quorum.

All points of order shall be decided by the President, or in case of appeal by a vote of the meeting without discussion

Every resolution shall be written and seconded before being considered.

A vote of two-thirds of the Mission shall be necessary, in session or by circular, to reconsider a decision once made.

Rules Of Order.

Silent members unless excused by the meeting shall be regarded as voting with the majority.

The yeas and nays may be recorded at the wish of a majority, and any member's vote at his own request.

The President shall have a vote on all questions that come before the Mission for action, and in the event of a tie vote the motion shall be considered lost.

This Constitution may be amended or suspended only by a vote of two-thirds of the Mission.

Article III

Mission Agents.

Agents.

Native Agents of the Mission shall receive such pay and be subject to such rules as may be determined by the Mission

Article IV

Examination of Missionaries.

Limits of Time etc.

Section 1. Each new missionary shall offer himself for the preliminary examination within a year after joining the Mission, and pass the final examination within two years after joining it. The examination shall be optional with married women. In order to pass or be placed in charge of a Mission station the candidate must gain a general average not less than 60 on final examination.

Courses of Study

Section 2. The courses of study shall be:

1st Year

1 Conversation and dictation exercises in Maraṭhi from the first.

2 Student's Maraṭhi Grammar by G. R. Navalkar, Part I; and application to books studied.

3 First, Second and Third Books in Maraṭhi, of the Bombay Government Series.

4 Book First, Part First, of Anglo-Maraṭhi Translation Series.

5 Gospel according to John in Marathi.

6 Old and New Testament Stories of the Christian Vernacular Education Society, for translation from English into Maraṭhi.

2nd Year.

1 Translation from Marathi to English

(1) Fourth Book, of Bombay Government Series
(2) Balamitra
(3) Aesop's Fables, or Day-break in Britain
(4) Genesis, chapters 1 to 10, and Epistle to the Romans.

2. Translation from English to Marathi
(1) Pilgrim's Progress, Part I
(2) Aesop's Fables, 25 fables

3 Navalkar's Grammar, Part III

4. Modi First and Second Books, of the Bombay Government Series

5 Reading and writing of correspondence in Balbodh character.

Section 3 Subjects for examination shall be

1st Year

Subject 1 Reading Marathi to show pronunciation, fluency and understanding

Subject 2 Oral translation from Marathi to English with explanation

Subjects for Examination

Subject 3 Grammar and grammatical analysis

Subject 4 Conversation with Examining Committee

Subject 5 Written Translation from Marathi to English

Subject 6 Written Translation from English to Marathi

2nd Year

Subject 1 Reading Marathi

Subject 2 Oral Translation from Marathi to English and from English to Marathi with explanation.

Subject 3 Written Translation from Marathi to English and from English to Marathi.

Subject 4 Grammar and grammatical analysis

Subject 5 Marathi conversation with natives not the candidate's teacher.

Subject 6 Reading and writing Modi character (not beyond grade of books required in the course)

Subject 7 Reading a letter in Balbodh character and writing a reply to the same.

Section 4 Two dictionaries, English-Marathi and Marathi-English, and grammar shall be furnished each candidate; and a personal teacher, whose pay shall not exceed Rs. 150 a year for one person.

Text-books and Teacher.

Moved: That the Report be received and the Committee discharged. Carried.

Moved: That the Report be taken up and considered by sections, with a view of adoption. Carried.

After discussion it was Moved: That the Report be adopted. Carried.

Mr. Goheen presented the Report of the Committee on Examining Records, as follows:

Your Committee appointed to examine the Records of the Mission beg leave to report that they examined all the records and destroyed those that were not necessary to be preserved.

J.M. Goheen, G.H. Ferris, W.J. Wanless, L.B. Tedford, — Comm.

The Report was received and the Committee was discharged.

Miscellaneous Business was again called.

Moved: That the Motion concerning the policy of grants-in-aid be taken from the table and discussed. Carried. The Original Motion was carried.

Moved: That the Motion concerning appropriation for a kitchen at Kolhapur be taken from the table. Carried. The Original Motion was carried.

The Session was adjourned with prayer by Mr. Goheen.

Sixth Session.

The Sixth Session met at 10 A.M. 6 January 1892.

Devotional exercises in Marathi were led by Mr. Hannum. The same members were present as at the Fifth Session except Mrs. Jolly.

The Minutes of the Fifth Session were read.

Reports of Committees were called. Miss Patton presented the Report of the Committee on Changes in the Curriculum of the Christian Schools as follows:

Your Committee having made inquiries and deliberated upon the matter in question would report as follows: We recommend the acceptance of the Government Standards supplemented by Scripture Lessons suitable to each grade in both our Boys' and Girls' Schools. Since the girls have all their own housework and sewing to do, and are not generally robust in health we advise that if it be necessary one and one half years be allowed to pass in each standard. We further advise that the pupils in the higher standards be required to omit the reading and committing of the poetry found in the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Books (Readers) of the Government Standards, and some other poetry be substituted, or better some other reading books in which the poetry is unobjectionable. Our conclusion in this whole matter is based upon our own experience and the testimony of missionaries in the Free Church of Scotland and the American Congregational missions. We find that the schools conducted according to these standards are more generally efficient, fall more readily into line with the Mission high schools and colleges, and arouse more enthusiasm for study in their pupils than other schools. Respectfully Submitted,

A. M. Goheen, Chairman
G. E. Wilder
Esther Patton

Committee.

On Motion the Report was received and the Committee discharged.

Moved: That the Report be amended as follows, and adopted. That instead of one and one half years for the girls and one year for the boys, two years be allowed for both, for rising from one standard into a higher, subject to the will of the Principal. Carried.

Mr Graham presented the Report of the Committee on Collation of Rules for Pay of Native Agents.

On Motion the Report was referred back to the Committee with instructions to arrange the rules in order for printing.

Miss Wilder presented an oral report of the Committee on Substitution of another prayer for the Lord's Prayer in schools.

Moved: That the Secretary be instructed to give Daniel P. Jadhav a certified copy of the motion passed by the Mission in regard to the plot of ground given for his bakery. Carried.

By general consent the Location of Native Agents was taken up. Moved: That Govinda Malap be placed under charge of Dr. Wanless at Miraj. Carried.

Moved: That Ramchandra Jinghade be stationed at Ratnagiri as a teacher, under Mr. Hannum. Carried.

Moved: That Babaji Ranabhise be stationed at Sangli to teach in the Boys' Boarding School under Miss Sherman. Carried.

Moved: That Shivaram be transferred to Panhala to be under Mr. Ferris on his present pay to engage in evangelistic work. Carried.

Moved: That Punabai and Radhabai Piraji, if they pass the examination, be employed as Bible Readers in Kolhapur on a pay of Rs 6 each for five hours daily work for five days each week, these women to be under Mrs. Goheen. Carried.

Moved: That Tyappa Gaekwad be stationed as a teacher at Aitivadi under Mr. Ferris. Carried.

Moved: That Bhikoji Gangaram Powar be employed to take charge of the Boarding School dormitory at Sangli, and of the boys out of school hours, on a pay of Rs 8 per mensem, with the usual allowance for wife and children. Carried.

Moved: That Mrs. Ferris be permitted to employ Radhabai Nagarkarin as teacher in girls' school at Panhala on a salary of Rs 3 per mensem and the usual allowance for children. Carried.

Moved: That Rufus Burder be employed in the Sangli Dispensary until July 1, 1892 on pay Rs 8 per mensem.

Carried.

Motions concerning changes for health were called for. The following were made and carried:

That Mrs. Goheen and children spend the hot season at Panhala.

That Mr. Jolly and family be permitted to spend the hot season at Panhala.

That Dr. Wanless and family be permitted to spend the hot season at Panhala.

That the missionaries at Ratnagiri be permitted to spend two months after the rainy season at Panhala.

That Miss Sherman be permitted to spend April and May in Ratnagiri.

That Miss Patton be permitted to spend the hot season at Panhala.

Moved. That on account of the Meeting of Presbytery, and of the Convention of the Native Christians, the Meeting adjourn to 10 A.M., Monday, 11 January. Carried.

The Session was adjourned with prayer by Mr. Graham.

On 6 January, 1892, in the afternoon the members attended the Meeting of the Presbytery of Kolhapur

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 7th to 9th January, the members attended the Convention of the Native Christians.

On 8th January, the Rev'd John Gillespie, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, being appointed to visit the Missions in India, arrived at Panhala. On 9th, in the morning, he gave an address, through an interpreter, to the Native Christians, on self-support, and in the afternoon held a conference with the members of the Mission on the subjects of high schools, theological seminaries, ordination of native ministers, industrial work, management of mission funds, consolidation of salaries, etc.

On Sabbath, 10th January, at 4 P.M. the Lord's Supper was celebrated, the Marathi Language being used. Mr. Graham conducted the service and distributed the bread, and Mr. Goheen distributed the cup.

Seventh Session.

The Seventh Session met at 10 A.M., 11th January 1892.

Devotional exercises in Marathi were led by Mr. Graham. The same members were present as at the Fifth Session except Mr. Irwin.

The Minutes of the Sixth Session were read.

Miscellaneous Business was called.

Moved: That the Treasurer be instructed to write to the Board, asking that a safe be sent to our Mission, in which to preserve Mission documents. Carried.

A petition from Bapu Miraji was presented. Moved: That the Secretary be instructed to inform Bapu Miraji that it is against the rules of the Board to loan Mission funds, and therefore his petition must be answered in the negative. Carried.

Moved: That the Reports of the different missionaries be placed in the hands of the Publishing Committee to be prepared by them for publication, and then, after submitting to each member of the Mission for corrections or suggestions, 1000 copies to be published. Carried.

Moved: That Messrs. Ferris and Goheen be appointed a Committee of two to make arrangements for the theological class and its instruction for the rainy season of 1892. Carried.

Moved: That we ask the Board for an appropriation for a teacher's house at Aitivadi. Carried.

Moved: That we appeal to the Board for five ordained missionaries and two lady missionaries including a qualified lady physician. Carried.

Moved: That we ask the Board for an appropriation to build cook-room and out-houses for the bungalow at Kodoli. Carried.

Moved: That Govindrao Malap be allowed twelve annas per mensem for water in Miraj, this motion to take effect from Sept. 1st, 1891. Carried.

Intermission was taken from 12:30 to 4 P.M.

Reports of Committees were called. Mr. Graham presented the Report of the Committee on Collation of Rules for Pay of Christian Agents, as follows:

Your Committee respectfully beg to report that they have carefully read over the Minutes of the Mission since the Thirteenth Annual Meeting held in 1885-86. At that Meeting rules were adopted relating to the pay of all classes of Native Helpers except Bible Women; and in reference to this class a motion was passed at the Annual Meeting of 1888. Subsequent action has modified these rules, and in some cases persons have been employed, the amount of pay being determined by the special provision made in the motion concerning them. Taking the Rules adopted in 1886 as the basis of our Report, and modifying them so as to embody the action relating to classes of helpers since that time, we submit the following as showing all regulations now in force in reference to the pay and allowances of Native Helpers:

1. Scale of Pay of Native Christian Helpers

Teachers	Single	Rs 5 per mensem
	Married	7 " "
Catechists	Single	6 " "

Catechists	Married	Rs 8 per mensem
Licentiates	Single	7 " "
	Married	9 " "

Helpers are allowed Rs 2 additional for each child under eight years of age, and also for children over eight years attending the Christian Boarding Schools as day scholars, regular attendance being required; and this amount being decreased in proportion to unexcused absences.

Bible Women shall be allowed Re 1 per mensem for each hour of daily work in the zenanas, the number of hours so spent to be determined by the time at the disposal of the Bible Woman and the pleasure of the lady missionary in charge. When working in the zenanas, Bible Women are required to leave their children at home.

2. Unless otherwise ordered by the missionary in charge, each native agent shall be required to teach not less than five hours daily, in default of which his pay for the month may be suspended in whole or part, and not restored without the consent of the Mission.

3. Teachers of Schools, in which the course of study required by the revised rules is followed, shall receive two annas for each boy in the First Standard when he rises, and for each boy in the Second Standard three

annas, and in the Third and Fourth Standards four annas.

4 To Native Helpers in Ratnagiri four annas to the rupee extra is allowed on salary and children's allowance.

5 No Christian Helper's pay shall be increased while he is in debt.

6 Once a year a month's leave with pay shall be allowed each helper and Christian teacher, the time to be determined by the missionary in charge of the person making application.

7 No grant shall be made to Native Agents for traveling, except on Mission business, but when engaged in actual touring, a helper shall be allowed two annas per diem for extra personal expense, provided he remain away from home fifteen consecutive days.

8 Each Native Christian Agent shall be allowed Rs 5 to defray expenses attending childbirth.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. P. Graham, G. E. Wilder, — Committee.

On Motion the Report was received and the Committee discharged. Moved: That the Rules be put in the hands of the Publishing Committee with request to supply each member with a copy. Carried.

Miss Wilder presented the Report of the Committee on Substitution of another prayer for the Lord's Prayer in Vernacular Schools, as follows:

It is recommended by your Committee that the Lord's Prayer be retained in the First Standard of Vernacular Mission Schools, and that in the Second Standard the Beatitudes be required in addition to the Catechism Lessons. Grace E. Wilder, Committee.

Moved: That the Report be received and the Committee discharged and no action be taken. Carried.

Mr. Ferris read a communication from the Rev'd Mr. Prautch concerning Anti-Opium petitions. Moved: That a Committee of two be appointed to draw up an Anti-Opium petition to be presented to Parliament on behalf of the Mission. Carried. The President appointed Messrs. Ferris and Graham.

The Session adjourned with prayer by Dr. Wanless.

In an informal consultation of the members after adjournment, 11th January 1892, Dr. Gillespie, in view of the omission of the matter in New York, authorized the Treasurer of the Mission to advance $500 of the $1000 provided for industrial work, this to be expended under direction of Sangli Station, and requested the Secretary of the Mission to state this in the Minutes.

Eighth Session.

The Eighth Session met at 10:30 A.M., 12 January, 1892, Mr. Graham being in the Chair. Mr. Goheen opened the Session with prayer.

The same members were present as at the Seventh Session, except Dr. and Mrs. Wanless and Miss Patton.

The Minutes of the Seventh Session were read.

Dr. Gillespie came in and explained the matter of advancing money for industrial work.

Mr. Graham presented the Report of the Committee on Anti-Opium Petition, recommending that the following Petition be signed by the officers of the Mission and forwarded:

To the Honorable, the Commons of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament.

The Petition of the American Presbyterian Mission in the States of Kolhapur, Sangli and Miraj and the Ratnagiri Collectorate Bombay Presidency, India,

Respectfully sheweth, That your memorialists are grieved at the havoc and ruin caused by the increasing use of opium. We know that when a person becomes addicted to the opium habit, he becomes a non-producer and hence prevents the proper development of this country.

Your memorialists, desire to point out that in the last thirteen years the consumption of opium has increased 549 per cent in the Bombay Presidency. We are appalled at this progress, for we could give particular instances that have come under our personal observation, showing that those addicted to the opium habit become hopeless wrecks, utterly unfit to discharge the duties devolving upon them in the various relations of life and incapable of being reached by any of the influences that might otherwise enlighten and elevate them.

And we further pray that no additional taxation be placed on India, but that any deficit be made up by the Royal Exchequer, and your petitioners will ever pray.

Signed at the request and on behalf of the aforesaid Mission.

Geo. H. Ferris, J. P. Graham, — Committee.

Moved: That the Report be adopted, and the Committee be instructed to forward the Petition. Carried.

Miscellaneous Business was again called

The President presented a petition from Somaji Gharoji asking for increase of pay. Moved: That the Secretary be instructed to inform Somaji Gharoji that the Mission does not see fit to grant his request. Carried.

Moved. That we ask the Board for an appropriation to build and furnish a hospital in Miraj, and in case of the funds having been already donated, to make this appropriation without delay. Carried.

Dr. Gillespie came in and spoke on relation of Missions to Presbyteries.

Moved: That believing that $720 are not sufficient salary for the support of Mr. Jolly and his family, the Mission ask the Board to provide for his children at the usual rate. Carried.

Estimates were called. Mr. Goheen presented estimates for Kolhapur Station, Mr. Hannum for Ratnagiri, Mr. Ferris for Panhala, and Mr. Graham for Sangli.

Intermission was taken from 12:30 to 2 P.M.

Moved: That the Estimates as read be adopted *in toto*. Carried.

Moved: That a Committee of three be appointed to examine into the present *status* of titles of all Mission property and to see what measures if any are necessary for securing the same to the Board of Foreign Missions and to report as soon as possible by circular. Carried. The President appointed Messrs. Ferris, Hannum and Wanless as such Committee.

The President appointed as Committee of Arrangements Messrs. Goheen and Irwin.

The President appointed as Committee to examine the Girls' Boarding School Mr. Ferris and Miss Sherman; and as Committee to examine the Boys' Boarding School Mr. Goheen and Miss Patton.

Officers were elected as follows:

President	Mr. Graham
Secretary	Mr. Hannum
Treasurer	Mr. Ferris
Librarian	Miss Patton

Auditing Committee,
  Member for two years Mr. Graham
  " " one year Mr. Goheen
Publishing Committee,
  Member for two years Mr. Irwin
  " " one year Mrs. Ferris
Examining Committee,
  Member for two years Miss Wilder
  " " one year Mr. Goheen

Building Committee

Member for three years Mr. Jolly

" " two " Mr. Ferris

" " one year Mr. Goheen

The Minutes of the Nineteenth Annual Meeting were read, corrected and approved.

The Meeting adjourned with prayer by Dr. Gillespie.

William H. Hannum,
Secretary.

Subject:- Requests from Kolhapur Mission to Board.

Ratnagiri, Bombay Presidency, India.
2 February, 1892.

Mr. Robert E. Spear, Ass't Sec'y P.B.F.M.

Dear Brother:

Allow me to call the attention of the Board to the following requests made by the Mission, as recorded in the Minutes:

That Miss Hitchcock be appointed to this Mission (Minutes, page 6).

That the New York Woman's Board raise $5000 for a sanitarium (p.7.)

That property be purchased at Islampur (p.20).

That a kitchen be built at Sangli (p.20).

That a kitchen be built at Kolhapur (pp 20, 35).

That a safe be sent to the Mission (p.40). put in [illegible]

That five ordained missionaries, one lady physician and one other lady missionary be appointed to this Mission (p.41).

That cook-room and out-houses be built at Kodoli (p.41).

That a hospital be built and furnished in Miraj (p.48).

That a Mission station be established and a bungalow and out-houses be built at Miraj (p.17.)

That children's allowance be granted Mr. Jolly. (p.48).

Hoping that the Council and Board may take favorable action on these matters, I remain

Fraternally Yours, William H. Hannum, Sec'y.

Subject – Estimates

W H Hannum

Ratnagiri, Bombay Presidency, India.
2 February, 1892.

Mr. Robert E. Speer, Ass't Sec'y P.B.F.M.
Dear Brother:

It gives me great pleasure to learn from Dr. Gillespie on his recent visit to the "Kolhapur" Mission, that you are placed in charge of the Board's correspondence with this part of the field. I send you this week by "Document" Post a packet containing a copy of the Minutes of the late Meeting of this Mission, and the annual estimates as approved by the Mission.

The following motions, passed by the Mission, will be found represented in the Estimates:

"That we ask the Board for an appropriation to buy ground and erect buildings for a house for native teacher and a school-house at Islampur." (Estimates, Panhala VIII B.)

"That we ask the Board for an appropriation to build a kitchen for the Sangli bungalow." (Sangli VII D.)

"That we ask the Board for an appropriation for a teacher's house at Aitivadi." (Panhala VIII B.)

"That we appeal to the Board for five ordained missionaries and two lady missionaries including a qualified lady physician." (All Stations III.)

"That we ask the Board for an appropriation to build cook-room and out-houses for the bungalow at Kodoli." (Panhala VIII B.)

"That we ask the Board for an appropriation to build and furnish a hospital in Miraj and, in case of the funds having been already donated, to make this appropriation without delay." (Sangli VIII A, B.)

"That, believing that $720 are not sufficient salary for the support of Mr. Jolly and his family, the Mission ask the Board to provide for his children at the usual rate." (Sangli I B.)

"That the Mission ask for an appropriation to build a kitchen for the Girls' Boarding School." (Kolhapur VIII B.)

Further, I would call attention to the minute that Dr. Gillespie" authorized the Treasurer of the Mission to advance $500 of the $1000 provided for industrial work". The remaining $500 are now asked for. (Sangli V B.)

This motion was passed: "That the Board be requested to appoint Miss Hitchcock of New York City, to this Mission according to her proposition, as follows: That she is not to receive anything from the Board as salary or expenses for the first two years from her appointment, and that if she proves able to do the work she then be recognized as a regular missionary with full salary and privileges as such." It was not thought proper to place this matter in the Estimates, since any expense incurred by the Board within the first two years is to be borne by Miss Hitchcock.

The following motion was passed: "That a Committee of the following four ladies, Mrs. Wilder, Miss Wilder, Miss Jefferson and Miss Minor, be appointed to write an appeal to the New York Woman's Board asking for the sum of five thousand dollars to secure property at Mahabaleshwar for a sanitarium." It was not thought best to place this matter in the Estimates, since we have no information yet as to what attitude the Woman's Board may take.

A motion "asking that a safe be sent to our Mission, in which to preserve Mission documents", was passed, but it was thought that the matter of the expense should be left in the hands of the Board without any estimate from the Mission.

The following circular motion is recorded as passed Sept. 24, 1891: "That we ask the Board for permission to occupy Miraj as a Mission station and that we also ask for the sum of $2000 to build a bungalow and out-houses there and that we earnestly request the Board to make this special appropriation without delay." I believe this motion has already been sent to your office. The matter is omitted from the estimates, as it was asked outside of the regular appropriations.

Hoping that the Church may be moved to supply liberally the means for these and other needs of mission work, I remain

Yours in the Gospel,
William H. Hannum.

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20th Annual Meeting.

The Twentieth Annual Meeting of the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India convened in the Mission Bungalow at Panhala at 8 P.M. 20 October 1892.

President Graham conducted devotional exercises and opened the Meeting with prayer.

The roll was called showing Mr. Graham Mr. Goheen, Mr. and Mrs. Ferris Miss Patton, Dr. Wanless, Miss Sherman Mr. Irwin Miss Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. Hannum, Mr. and Mrs. Jolly Miss Minor and Miss Jefferson present. Mrs. Graham Mr. and Mrs. Seiler, and Mr. and Mrs. Tedford were absent in the United States; and Mrs. and Miss Wilder were absent in Norway on account of Mr. Robert P. Wilder's illness.

Mr. Goheen presented the Report of the Committee of Arrangements, thus: Your Committee on Arrangements and Religious Services beg to recommend:

1st. That one session be held daily from 10 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. with an intermission from 12:30 to 2:30, and that the first half hour be spent in devotional exercises in English.

2nd. That the Sacrament of the Lords Supper be administered in the Fort Chapel on Sunday October

30, 1892 at 4 P.M., Mr. Ferris to distribute the bread and Mr. Hannum the cup.

3rd. That the sermon be preached Sunday evening 23rd, and that prayer-meetings be held Friday evening 21st, Wednesday evening 26th, and Sunday evening 30th; Subject for 21st. Prayer for a blessing on our Native Churches, led by Mr. Irwin; 26th. Home Relation of the Work on the Foreign Field led by Dr. Wanless; 30th. Prayer for a blessing upon ourselves in our relation to the work, led by Mr. Jolly.

Respectfully Submitted, J. M. Goheen, Chairman
October 20, 1892. J. M. Irwin.

On Motion the Report was adopted.

The Minutes of the Nineteenth Annual Meeting were read.

Moved: That we adjourn to meet tomorrow at 10 A.M. Carried. Adjourned with prayer by Dr. Wanless.

Second Session.

The Second Session met at 10:15 A.M. 21 October 1892. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Goheen. Members were present as at the First Session except that Mrs. Goheen and Mrs. Wanless were present and Mrs. Jolly was absent.

The Minutes of the First Session were read and corrected.

By general consent the President's report of circular business was deferred until his papers should arrive. Reports of Stations were deferred. Reports of Missionaries were called. Miss Patton, Miss Irwin, Mrs. Ferris, Miss Jefferson, Mr. Ferris, Mr. Hannum, and Miss Minor read their Reports to the Board.
Mr. Ferris also read a report for Panhāḷā Station.
Reports of Committees were called.
Mrs. Ferris presented the Report of the Publishing Committee as follows: The Publishing Committee beg to report that in accordance with instructions received they secured a copy of the collated rules for native helpers' pay and forwarded the same to each missionary; also 1000 copies of Annual Report for 1891 and the Revised Constitution at an expense of Rs 157.4. They regret that complete ignorance of details in regard to printing matters misled them, perhaps in accepting estimates which made the expenses great. In September the Committee also saw through the press a second edition of the Catechism for beginners, of 2000 copies at an expense for printing and freight of Rs 55.
Your Committee beg to make the following suggestions for future use. First that the Publishing Committee be informed as to the desirable form for the

Annual printed report, whether a collated report, a collection of the individual reports, or simply the Station reports as handed in at the Annual Meeting. Second, that all the missionaries send in their reports to said Committee at a date which will enable them to get it through the press so that it may be mailed from India by March 1st. Third that a list with addresses be handed to the Committee by each missionary and the Committee be the ones responsible for mailing to the same addresses. Our idea is that by thus putting the mailing into the hands of the Committee it will be a matter of economy in doing away with the sending of two and even three copies to the same person. Fourth, that the manuscript be handed in to the Committee in such form that the said Committee shall not have to copy. Fifth, that we decide on some form of spelling native names so that there may be more uniformity in letters home and in written reports.

Respectfully Submitted. L. H. Ferris } Com.
J. M. Irwin }

On Motion the Report was received and the consideration of its suggestions was made the special order for tomorrow 2:30 P.M.

Mr. Scheen presented the Report of the Examining Committee as follows: Miss Irwin appeared for the preliminary examination April 25, 1892. The result was as follows:

1	Reading	$62\frac{1}{3}$
2	Oral Translation, Marathi to English	$62\frac{1}{2}$
3	Grammar	55
4	Conversation	70
5	Written Translation Marathi to English	80
6	" " English " Marathi	50
	General average	$63\frac{1}{3}$

Miss Minor appeared for the preliminary examination October 18, 1892. The result was as follows:

1	Reading	88
2	Oral Translation Marāṭhi to English	92
3	Grammar	90
4	Conversation	82
5	Written Translation Marāṭhi to English	95
6	" " English " Marāṭhi	70
	General Average	86

Miss Jefferson appeared for the preliminary examination October 18, 1892. The result was as follows:

1	Reading	88
2	Oral Translation Marāṭhi to English	92

3	Grammar	90
4	Conversation	85
5	Written Translation Marāthi to English	95
6	" " English " Marāthi	72
	General Average	87

Miss Wilder being absent from Kolhapur, Miss Patton kindly assisted me with all these examinations.

J. M. Goheen, Chairman, Comm.

On Motion the Report was accepted.

Mr. Irwin for the Committee on Examination of Library asked further time.

Mr. Ferris for the Committee on Anti-Opium Petition, reported the Petition sent as instructed. On motion the Report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Mr. Ferris, for the Committee on Titles of Property, eported that at Dr. Gillespie's suggestion by letter, the work has been deferred. On Motion the Report was accepted.

Miss Minor for the Committee on Appeal for Sanitarium reported as follows: The Committee on Sanitarium would report that the petition requesting $5000 to build a Sanitarium at Mahābaleshvar was presented to the ladies of the New York Board but they replied that on account of the lack of funds they would be unable to grant it at present.

Mrs. Wilder Chairman
by E. T. Minor.

On Motion the Report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Miss Patton read the Report of the Committee on Examination of the Boys' Boarding School as follows: The Committee examined the Christian Boys' School at Sangli September 28, 29 and 30 and were much pleased with the progress of the pupils, and especially pleased with the Bible Classes. One class had studied Genesis, and the other the Gospel of John.

11 boys passed from 1st to 2nd Standard
3 " " " 2nd " 3rd "
6 " " " 3rd " 4th "
4 " " " 4th " 5th "
2 " " " 5th " 6th "

J. M. Goheen, Chairman } Committee
Esther Patton.

On Motion the Report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Moved: That the consideration of the Manual of the Board with a view to suggestions for amendments thereto be made the order for the afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Carried.

Moved: That Mr. Jolly's preliminary examination in Marathi be postponed to March 1st 1893 on account of illness in his family. Carried unanimously.

Moved: That the 6th clause of Section 5 Article II of the Constitution be amended by substitution of the word "negative" for "majority". Moved: That the Motion be referred to a Committee of two. Carried. Mr. Hannum and Mr. Ferris were appointed as the Committee.

After intermission the special order for the day, the consideration of the Manual was taken up. Moved: That the Manual be taken up section by section. Carried. Moved: That a Committee of three be appointed to consider recommendments as to the amendments of the Manual, and that all suggestions approved by the Mission be referred to this Committee. Carried.

Messrs. Green and Hannum and Mrs. Ferris were appointed as the Committee.

The Board's letter of instructions concerning the Manual was read, and the first 42 paragraphs were considered.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Ferris.

Third Session.

The Third Session met at 10 A.M. 22 October 1892. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Ferris. All the members in the mission field were present. The Minutes of the Second Session were read and corrected.

Reports of Missionaries were called. Mrs. Goheen, Miss Sherman, Mr. Jolly, Dr. Wanless, Mr. Goheen, Mr. Irwin and Mr. Graham read their reports.

Station Reports were called. Mr. Hannum read a report of Ratnagiri Station.

Moved: That the reports of the Pānhāla and Ratnāgiri Stations be approved. Carried.

Reports of Committees were called.

Mr. Goheen presented the Report of the Building Committee as follows: Plans were presented to the Building Committee for the Hospital, Dispensary, Bungalow and out-houses at Miraj; for the Industrial Work-shop at Sāngli; and for the out-houses at Kodoli, which after having been thoroughly examined and where necessary amended, were approved by the Committee.

J. M. Goheen, Geo. H. Ferris, John Jolly, Committee.

October 21, 1892

On Motion the Report was accepted.

Mr. Ferris presented the Report of the Committee on Theological Class as follows: Your Committee on the Theological Class would report that a class of three was formed consisting of Basantrāv Thākur, Jayāpa Gāyakvad and Rāmā Bāḷakobā, and was taught for three months from June 10 to September 15. Mr. Goheen teaching Church History, Genesis and Acts; and Mr. Ferris Theology, Catechism and Hebrews. Every Friday was devoted to practical exercises in Homiletics. Basantrāv while not doing as well as the others in studies where memorizing was required, certainly excelled in sermonizing, in his comprehension and expansion of a subject. We regret that so few were able to come together for the benefits of this teaching, and hope that should the class be continued, a far larger number will be able to attend.

Respectfully Submitted Geo. H. Ferris } Committee.
J. M. Goheen }

On Motion the Report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Mr. Ferris presented the Report of the Committee on Examination of the Girls' Boarding School as follows: Your Committee would report that the Girls' Boarding School was examined on September 26 and 27, 1892. The examination showed that on the whole very good work had been done and that the School is making satisfactory progress.

G. A. Ferris. J. H. Sherman, Committee.

On Motion the Report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Mr. Hannum presented the Report of the Committee on Amendment of the Constitution, as follows:

Your Committee appointed to consider the motion to amend the Constitution Article II Section 5, would respectfully recommend that the clause in question, "Silent members unless excused by the Meeting shall be regarded as voting with the majority," be stricken out entire. This rule is sufficiently stated in the Board's Manual Paragraph 31, thus: "The Mission shall x x x be governed by the usual rules of our Church Judicatories as far as applicable and in "The General Rules for Judicatories of the General Assembly, Section XXV, thus: "Silent members unless excused from voting must be considered as acquiescing with the majority."

Respectfully submitted William S. Hannum } Comm.
Geo. A. Ferris }

On Motion the Report was received and the Committee discharged.

Mr. Goheen presented the Report of the Auditing Committee as follows: The Auditing Committee would report that they examined and audited the Mission accounts for the year ending April 30, 1892

J. M. Goheen, J. P. Graham, Committee.

October 21, 1892.

On Motion the Report was adopted.

Mr. Irwin presented the Report of the Committee on Mission Library as follows: The Committee on Inspection of the Mission Library beg to report that they have examined the Library with a view to the destruction of useless books, and have found about ten books that could be of no possible use. The others may be of use to some, and are therefore allowed to remain. The Committee have recommended to the Librarian that she classify and number the books in a catalogue for ready reference.

J. M. Irwin, Esther Patton, Committee.

On Motion the Report was adopted and the Committee discharged.

After intermission the order of the day, the consideration of the suggestions of the

Publishing Committee was taken up.
Moved: That when Reports are printed they be made up of the Station Reports, as approved by the Mission. Carried.
Moved: That the third suggestion be approved. Carried
Moved: That the fourth suggestion be approved. Carried
Moved: That the system of spelling of Marāthi names given in Navalkar's Grammar be recommended to be used by the members. Carried.
Moved: That the consideration of the Board's Manual be resumed. Carried.
The consideration of the Manual was continued through the 70th paragraph
Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Irwin.

The Annual Sermon was preached on Sunday evening 23 October, 1892 at 8 o'clock by Mr. Graham, from John 20:31; "But these are written that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing ye might have life through his name;" and from John 15:5, "For without me ye can do nothing."

Fourth Session.

The Fourth Session met at 10 A.M. 24 October 1892. Devotional exercises were conducted by Dr. Wanless. Members were present as at the Third Session. The President presented his Report of Circular Business, as follows: I beg to report the business transacted by circular since the last Annual Meeting. The following motions, arranged in chronological order, were carried. Respectfully Submitted,

J. P. Graham President.

Moved: That Mr. Jolly be allowed the sum of Rs50 for travelling expenses to inspect industrial schools before beginning his work in Sāngli. Jan. 26. 1892,

Moved: That Dr. Wanless be allowed the sum of Rs50 for travelling expenses to inspect hospitāls before suggesting a plan for the Miraj hospitāl Jan. 26, 1892.

Moved: That Bhiwa be granted an allowance of 12 annas per mensem for water from January to June inclusive Sangli Jan. 29, 1892.

Moved: That Govindrao Sakharām Mālap be under the charge of Mr. Graham under his present allowance. March, 8, 1892.

In reply to the Board's letter of February 4 concerning Mr. Converse's offer and the opening of a new station at Miraj and the contemplated work there

Resolved: That Dr. Wanless be instructed to forward to the Board the plans approved by the Building Committee for the erection, completion and furnishing of a hospital and out-houses and the building and completing of a physician's bungalow and out-houses, said buildings not to exceed a cost of $10000, and further that the Building Committee be instructed to prepare and submit to the Board plans for a second bungalow and out-houses to cost $2000 for an ordained missionary already asked for, and that we ask the Board for this additional appropriation. Mar. 24, 1892.

Moved: That Mrs. and Miss Wilder be allowed to spend April and May at Mahābaleshvār.

Kolhapur March 28, 1892.

Moved: That Viṭhobā Sheku Tombāre be employed as a teacher under charge of Mr. Graham on a monthly allowance of Rs 6 to take effect from March 1. April 14, 1892.

Moved: That the charge Rs 107.14. made by Mr. Jolly for nurse's services during Mrs. Jolly's recent illness be sanctioned. May 6, 1892.

Moved: That the charge Rs 4 made by Dr. Wanless for water supplied to Govindrāv at Miraj be sanctioned. May 6 1892.

Moved: That Mr. Jolly and family be permitted to spend the rainy season in Kolhapur.
May 16, 1892.

Moved: That Mr. Ferris and family be permitted to spend the rainy season at Kolhapur.
Panhāḷā May 16, 1892.

Moved: That Miss Sherman be allowed to employ V. V. Gokale in the Boys' Boarding School at Rs 30 per month. May 31, 1892.

Moved: That Dr. and Mrs. Wanless be allowed to spend the rains in Sāngli. June 1, 1892.

Moved: That on account of the serious illness of Mr. Robert P. Wilder, Mrs. and Miss Wilder be granted six months leave of absence to go to England, all expenses to be met by themselves.
Kolhapur, June 8, 1892.

Owing to the departure of Miss Wilder to England, Moved: That Miss Irwin be placed in charge of the Bazar and Āditavār Girls' Schools, Kolhapur.
Kolhapur, June 13. 1892.

Moved: That the Mission grant Rs 10 per month towards the salary of Saṭubā Rānabhise, the pastor of the Āyalāvādi Church to take effect from date of ordination to the next Annual Mission Meeting only.
June 13, 1892

Moved: That the Publishing Committee be instructed to have 2000 copies of our "Bodhapar Prashnottarāvali" printed, as the first edition of 1000 copies is nearly exhausted. June 28, 1892.

Moved: That the expenses incurred by Mr. Goheen and Mr. Graham in traveling from Kolhapur to Ratnagiri, July 3 to 9, 1892 be authorized.

Ratnāgiri 7 July, 1892

Moved: That we ask the Board for the medical fees, Rs 431.14., received during the last fiscal year, to purchase land at Kodoli for the erection of a dispensary and bazar chapel. July 13, 1892

In accordance with the Board's letter granting permission to open a new Mission Station at Miraj, Moved: That Dr. Wanless be sent there to occupy the Station. July 26, 1892.

Moved: That Jayvant Pol, in charge of Dr. Wanless, be allowed Rs 4 per mensem for living expenses and a sum not to exceed an average of Rs 2 per mensem for books etc. while studying in the Kolhapur Mission High School, said allowance to be paid out of the Dispensary appropriation, and he (Jayvant Pol) to agree to serve the Mission after completion of his studies, and this motion not to be considered binding upon the mission in case of failure to comply with the High School rules. Aug. 1, 1892.

Whereas, Mr. T. H. P. Sailer has given $626.24 for the industrial school buildings,
Moved: That we ask the Board to grant the $626.24 for said buildings, and also the balance on the original $1000 asked for, viz, $375. for the necessary machinery and tools.

Kolhapur, August 12, 1892.

Moved: That Miss Irwin be allowed to engage Ganpatrav Chintāmān Mule as master in the Ravivār School, at a salary not exceeding Rs 5- per month and perquisites to begin August 1st. Aug. 30, 1892.

Moved: That Mr. Seaford be stationed at Ratnagiri and have charge of the station. Ratnagiri 6 Sept. 1892.

Moved: That Miss Patton be allowed to make a two weeks tour for the purpose of visiting boarding schools in the Southern Marāthi Country. Sangli, Oct. 3. '92.

Moved: That Miss Sherman be permitted to make a tour of two weeks in order to visit schools in neighboring missions. Sangli, Oct. 3, 1892.

Moved: That Miss Irwin's final examination in Marāthi be allowed to occur one year from the time of her preliminary examination. October 10, 1892.

Reports of Stations were called. Dr. Wanless presented a report of Miraj Station. On motion the Report was approved. On Motion the consideration of the Manual was resumed. The consideration of the Manual was completed, and suggestions were referred to the Committee already appointed on this subject.

A petition from Jayvant Vol was read. Moved: That in reply to Jayavant Vol's petition he be informed that the Mission does not see its way clear to grant his request. Carried.

Moved: That the location of Missionaries and Mission helpers be referred to a Committee of three appointed by the President to report on Wednesday. Carried

The President appointed Messrs. Goheen and Ferris and Miss Sherman as the Committee.

A petition from Sayad Abdul Rajahāk was read. Moved: That Sayad Abdul Rajhak be allowed Rs 12 per mensem. On motion the motion was amended by the substitution of "10" instead of "12". The motion as amended was carried.

Whereas, it is understood that Mr. Joseph Muser of Wooster Ohio, has applied to the Board to be sent as a medical missionary to India; Resolved: That the Board be requested to designate him to this Mission with a view to medical work at Ratnagiri. Moved: That the Resolution be laid on the table till Wednesday, 26 October, 1892, 11 A.M. Carried.

Moved: That a Committee consisting of Revs. Graham and Irwin and Miss Patton be appointed to make recommendations with reference to conduct of High School, and also for rules in reference to all other Mission schools, to report at this meeting. Carried.

Moved: That the Mission ask the Board for an appropriation for a building for the Kolhapur Mission High School, estimates for which shall be recommended by the Building Committee and if approved be put in the Annual Estimates, the Committee also to prepare plans and specifications and forward the same as soon as possible. Carried.

Moved: That a Committee of three be appointed to suggest amendments to the Constitution. Carried. The President appointed Messrs. Ferris, Hannum and Irwin as the Committee.

Moved: That the grant of Rs 10 per month to the Āyalāvāḍi Church Pastor fund be continued until next Annual Meeting

Moved: That the Mission adjourn to meet Wednesday, 26 October, at 10 A.M. Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Jolly.

Fifth Session.

The Fifth Session met at 10 A.M. 26 October 1892.
Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Irwin.

Members were present as at the Fourth Session.

The Minutes of the Fourth Session were read.

The Motion on grant to Ayatavāḍi Church was taken up and carried.

Mr. Graham presented the Report of Sāngli Station, On Motion it was approved.

The Order for the Day, the Resolution concerning Mr. Joseph Myers, was taken up and carried.

Moved: That a Treasurer be appointed for each of the Stations to receive from the Mission Treasurer the amounts authorized for expenditure in the Stations, and to render account for the same. Carried.

Mr. Goheen presented the Report of Committee on Manual as follows: Your Committee would recommend that the following modifications in the Manual be suggested to the Board.

Paragraph 1. To insert after "competent physician", "that said physician be appointed by the Board to examine candidates and be some other than the candidate's family physician". Our reason for this is that the medical examination should be thorough and impartial. We would suggest that several physicians be appointed in central cities in the United States for convenience of access by candidates.

Paragraph 8. To substitute for "ten", "eight". The reasons for this are, first, the missionaries are physically less able to stand the climate after the first term, and second, that the cares concerning children left in the United States require more frequent return of missionaries. We think the shortened term will in many cases enable the missionary to serve longer on the field.

Paragraph 9. To add to the first sentence, "but missionaries serving in India shall be allowed to leave the field in March and to return in November of the next year". The reason is that these times of departure from and arrival on the field are required by the climate, March being the first month of the hot season and November the first month of the cold season.

Paragraph 21. To substitute for "at their station" "on their mission field". The reason is that a missionary is sometimes detained for mission work or health at some other station than that to which he regularly belongs.

Paragraph 30. To substitute for "one year" "two years".

Paragraph 31. To strike out "Because of the expense only those members of missionary families entitled to deliberate or vote should attend the Annual Meeting, unless under peculiar circumstances".

Paragraph 69. To substitute for "one measured ton" "two measured tons", and for "one half" "one". The reason is that missionaries when they vacate their houses on the field to make place for others are obliged to part with all their furniture and need to bring many articles with them in returning to the field.

Paragraph 71. To substitute for "eighteen" "twenty-one" and to add to the first sentence "but the allowance shall be $150 for children being educated in America".

To the questions in the latter part of the Board's circular letter of 28 March 1892, Your Committee would recommend the following reply: We do not print the Minutes but have occasionally printed annual reports of the work done. This year we have printed 1000 copies of such report and 100 copies of our new Constitution at a total cost of Rs 157.4., which amount was taken out of the appropriation for Kolhapur Station, for "Books, Printing &c" We send samples of these two publications.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. M. Goheen, William H. Hannum, Lucy H. Ferris,
October 24. 1892. Committee

On Motion the report was received and the Committee discharged. On Motion adopted.

Mr. Goheen presented the Report of the Committee on Location of Missionaries and Agents, as follows:
Your Committee would report that they do not see that any change of location of missionaries is called for. They recommend that Ānandrāv be employed by the Sangli Station. They would recommend that Bāijubā be stationed at Panhāḷā.

J. M. Goheen, G. H. Ferris, J. H. Sherman, Committee

On Motion the report was received and the Committee discharged. On Motion its provisions were taken up seriatim. The first was adopted, the second was rejected, and the third was adopted.

Mr. Graham presented the Report of the Committee on High School and other Schools, as follows: Your Committee on Rules for High School and for teachers in other Schools beg leave to report as follows: We recommend

For the Kolhapur Mission High School.

1. That the Principal of the Mission High School be instructed to see that all teachers and students are present at daily prayers.
2. That besides this there shall be at least two hours religious instruction a week in each class using the Bible as the text-book.

3. That at each Annual Mission Meeting a Committee of two shall be appointed to inspect the School and examine the classes in the Scriptural portions studied and report the condition and needs of the school.

4. That in making out his estimates for submission to the Mission the Principal shall itemize his expenditure as follows:

1 Teachers (giving name and salary of each)
2 Current Expenses
3 Special Items of Expenditure (specifying each)

And this estimate, if approved, shall govern the expenditure for that year.

For the Boarding Schools.

That the missionaries in charge of the Boarding Schools at Kolhāpur and Sāngli be authorized to employ teachers, Christian or non-Christian, without motion, except when the salary exceeds Rs 25.

For the Vernacular Schools.

That missionaries be authorized to employ at their option non-Christian teachers in the ordinary vernacular schools on a monthly salary not exceeding Rs 10.

For all the Schools.

That missionaries be authorized to supply vacancies in existing schools or employ teachers in new schools according to existing rules of pay without special

motion. Respectfully Submitted,
J. P. Graham, J. M. Irwin, Esther Patton,
Committee.

On Motion the Report was received and the Committee discharged. On Motion its recommendations were taken up *seriatim*. They were all adopted.

Mr. Goheen presented the *Special Report* of the Building Committee on a Building for the Mission High School, as follows: Your Building Committee would report that they have made the following estimates for a Mission High School at Kolhāpur.

Site Expenses	Rs 200
Site	10000
Building	20000
Furnishing	2500
Total	32700

Respectfully Submitted,
Oct. 25, 1892. J. M. Goheen, G. H. Ferris, John Jolly.

On Motion the Report was adopted.

Mr. Ferris presented the *Report* of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution as follows:

Your Committee would recommend the following changes.

Article I Section 8. To strike out the words "include the average on each subject and the general average grade; and shall", and to add after "given", "and whether he has passed or not".

Section 9. To add "This Committee shall determine the location and supervise the erection of all buildings".

Article IV Section 2. Under "1st year 3" to substitute for "Second and Third", "and Second".

Under "1st year 6" to strike out "Old and".
" "2nd " 1 (1)" to substitute for "Fourth" "Third".
" " " " 1 (2)" to add "pages 1 to 150".
" " " " 2 (1)" to substitute for "Part I", "one half of Part I".

Section 3. To add "The Committee shall limit the examination only to the grade of the books named in the course".

Your Committee would further recommend that without placing it in the Constitution, the rule be followed of appointing at each Annual Meeting a Visiting Committee of two to visit all the Stations and the out stations as far as practicable and to report on the condition and needs of the work; also a Locating Committee to consist of the members in charge of the Stations to recommend locations of missionaries and agents.

Geo. H. Ferris, William H. Hannum, J. M. Irwin
Committee

On Motion the Report was taken up seriatim. The recommendations concerning amendments were all adopted.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Jolly.

Sixth Session.

The Sixth Session met at 10 A.M. 27 October, 1892. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr Jolly.

Members were present as at the Fifth Session. The Minutes of the Fifth Session were read and approved. The remaining recommendations of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution were taken up and adopted.

Mr. Goheen presented the Report of Kolhapur Station On Motion it was approved.

Moved: That the Board be requested to put Mr. Jolly as regards a vote in Mission matters on the same basis as other members of the Mission. Carried unanimously.

A petition from Mālu Rānoji Bhosale asking increase of pay was presented. Moved: That the Mission deny Mālu's request. Carried.

Moved: That the Secretary be instructed to correspond with our Northern India Missions concerning the giving by our Board of a scholarship in the Agra Medical College. Carried.

Believing that Bhiva Subhāno Kāle is an unsatisfactory helper and that while in Mission employ his influence on the native Christians and the heathen community is prejudicial to our work; Moved: That he be dismissed from Mission service, this motion to take effect from November 1st, with one month's extra pay, the Secretary to inform him of this action. Carried.

After Intermission Moved: That in order that Miss Irwin may have her full time for the study of the language, she be relieved of the charge of the schools in the city. Carried.

Moved: That from January 1, 1893, the Mission shall not defray expenses of the pupils to and from the Boarding Schools. Carried.

Moved: That the amounts paid Khaṇḍobā L. Paḍaghalamal as allowance for his third son since 1 January 1891 be deducted from his pay.
On motion laid on the table till Saturday 29 Oct. 1892

Moved: That the Theological Class be held at Panhāḷā during two months of the hot season from the middle of March to the middle of May and that Messrs. Graham and Ferris have charge of said Class for the present year. Carried

Moved: That when we do adjourn we adjourn to meet on Saturday 29 October, 1892 at 10 a.m. on account of meeting of the Presbytery of Kolhāpur. Carried.

Moved: That Dr. and Mrs. Wanless and Miss Sherman be allowed to spend the hot season at Mahābaleshwar. Carried.

Moved: That Miss Patton be appointed Treasurer of Kolhāpur Station; Mr. Hannum of Ratnāgiri; Mr. Ferris of Panhālā; Mr. Graham of Sāngli; and Dr. Wanless of Miraj. Carried.

On Motion election of officers was taken up.

Moved: That we elect officers by ballot, voting separately on each officer and after the first ballot dropping all names but the two receiving the highest number of votes. Carried.

Mr. Graham was elected President
" Hannum " " Secretary, and
" Ferris " " Treasurer.

Adjourned with prayer by Dr. Wanless.

Seventh Session.

The Seventh Session met at 10 a.m. 29 October, 1892. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Graham. Members were present as at the Sixth Session.

The Minutes of the Sixth Session were read and approved

Election of Officers was resumed.
Miss Patton was elected Librarian
Mr. Goheen " " Member of Auditing Committee
Mrs. Ferris " " " " Publishing "
Mr. Graham " " " " Examining "
Mr. Goheen " " " " Building "

The Motion on amounts paid Khanḍobā Lakṣhman Paḍaghalmal was taken from the table and carried.

Moved: That as the licenses of Khanḍobā L. Padaghalmal and Baijubā Kisantasingh Ṭhākur to preach have expired, they be hereafter on regular Catechists pay. Carried.

Moved: That the Secretary be instructed to forward the following overture to the General Assembly: The American Presbyterian Mission in Western India, being a Mission of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, would respectfully overture the General Assembly as follows: While we recognize the ability and worthiness of all the present secretaries of the boards of our Church and are willing that any salaried emeritus secretary already appointed should be continued; yet we believe that in general the maintenance of such secretaryships is an unjustifiable misappropriation of the Church's funds, and we earnestly ask that hereafter no salaried emeritus secretaryship of any of the boards of the Church be sanctioned. Carried unanimously.

The President appointed the following Committees:

Of Arrangements; Mr Hannum and Mrs. Ferris.

On Examination of Girls' Boarding School; Mr. Graham and Mrs. Goheen.

On Examination of Boys' Boarding School; Mr. Ferris and Miss Patton.

On Examination of High School; Messrs. Ferris and Goheen.

Visiting Committee; Mr. Goheen and Dr. Wanless.

After Intermission it was moved: That $100 from Class I $66\frac{2}{3}$ from Class IV, and $66\frac{2}{3}$ from Class IX be transfered to Class V, in the appropriations of Sāngli Station for the current year. Carried unanimously.

Annual Estimates were called. Mr. Goheen presented the Estimates for Kolhāpur Station; Mr. Ferris for Panhālā; Mr. Hannum for Ratnāgiri; Mr. Graham for Sāngli; and Dr. Wanless for Miraj.

Moved: That a recess be taken till 5 P.M. Carried. After recess the consideration of estimates was resumed.

Moved: That Mr. Graham be authorized to hire a guard for the Sāngli Church at Rs 4 per mensem to take effect from May 1, 1892. Carried.

Moved: That we adjourn to meet on Monday 31 October 1892 10. A.M. Carried

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Jolly.

On Sabbath 30 October 1892, at 4 P.M. the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered, the Marāthi Language being used. Mr. Ferris conducted the service and distributed the bread, and Mr Hannum distributed the cup.

Eighth Session.

The Eighth Session met at 10 A.M. 31 October, 1892. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Goheen. Members were present as at the Seventh Session except Dr. and Mrs. Wanless.

The Minutes of the Seventh Session were read and approved.

Moved: That Dayābāi Nāthān be given an allowance of Rs 2 for her child until he is eight years old. Carried.

Moved: That the allowance for wives of native helpers be increased one rupee. Carried.

Moved: That the clause of Rule 7 authorizing extra charge for native agents while touring be stricken out. Carried.

Moved: That no grant be made to native agents for traveling to the Annual Convention or "Mela". Carried.

Moved: That $100 be transfered from Class IX to Class I in the appropriations of Kolhāpur Station for the current Year. Carried unanimously.

Moved: That when sending in the estimates the Secretary be instructed to express the sense of the Mission, that of the bungalows asked for the immediate need of that at Sāngli is most urgent. Carried.

Consideration of Estimates was resumed.

After intermission it was Moved: That hereafter members wishing to leave before the close of Mission Meeting shall be required to get permission from the Mission so to do. Carried.

Moved: That Mr. and Mrs. Jolly be granted leave of absence. Carried.

Consideration of Estimates was resumed

On Motion the Estimates as read and corrected were approved.

On Motion the Secretary was instructed to record the estimates in full. (They are as appended).

The Minutes of the Twentieth Annual Meeting were read and approved.

The Meeting adjourned with prayer by the President.

William H. Hannum,
Secretary.

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MINUTES OF THE 21st ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

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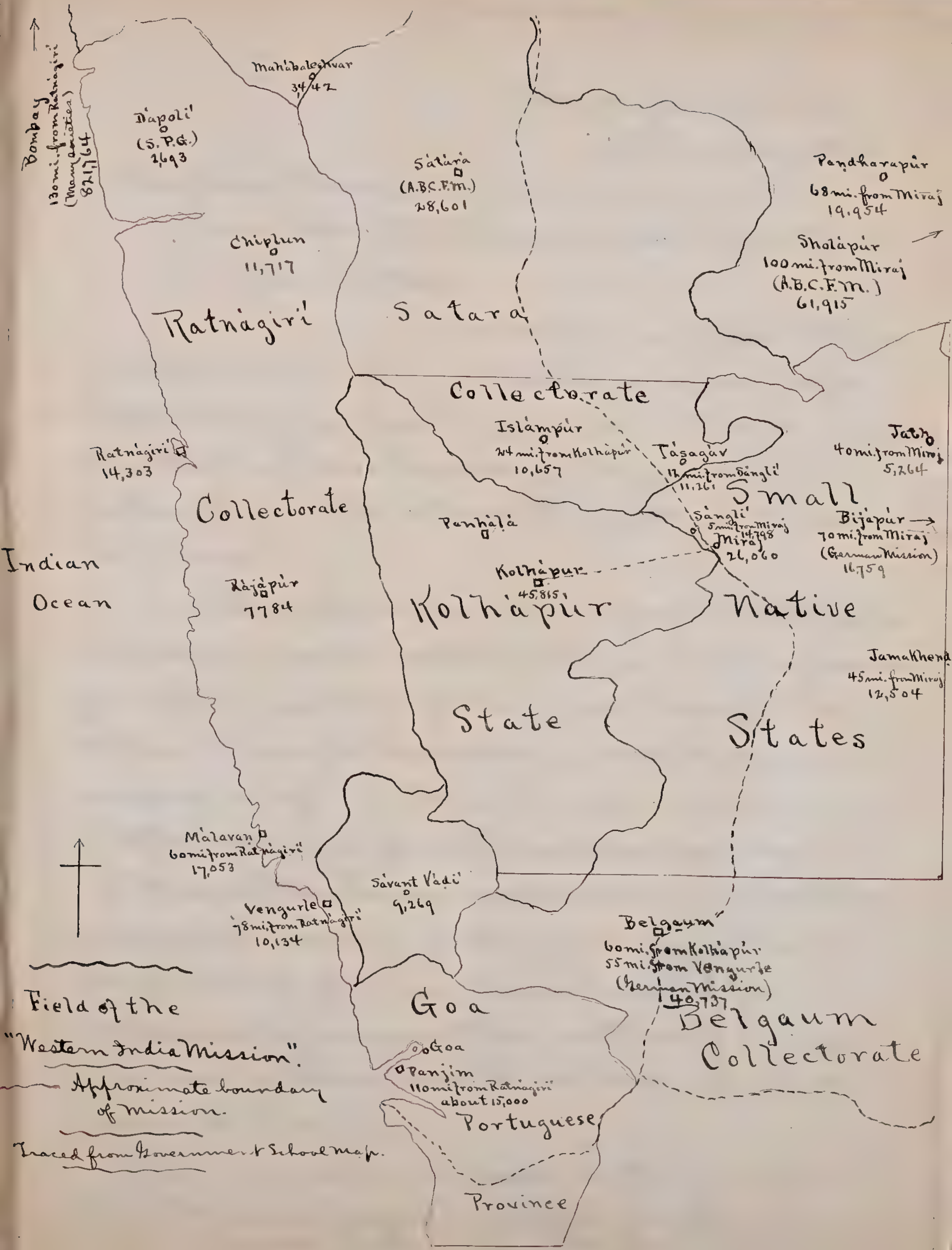

Bombay
130 mi. from Ratnágirí
(Many societies)
821,764
Mahábaleshvar
34,42
Dápolí
(S.P.G.)
2,693
Sátára
(A.B.C.F.M.)
28,601
Chiplun
11,717
Ratnágirí
Satara
Collectorate
Pandharapúr
68 mi. from Miraj
19,954
Sholápúr
100 mi. from Miraj
(A.B.C.F.M.)
61,915
Ratnágirí
14,303
Collectorate
Islámpúr
24 mi. from Kolhápúr
10,657
Tásagáv
12 mi. from Sánglí
11,261
Jath
40 mi. from Miraj
5,264
Small
Sánglí
5 mi. from Miraj
14,798
Miraj
26,060
Panhálá
Bijápúr
70 mi. from Miraj
(German Mission)
16,759
Indian
Ocean
Kolhápúr
45,815
Rájápúr
7784
Kolhápúr
Native
Jamakhend
45 mi. from Miraj
12,504
State
States
Málavan
60 mi. from Ratnágirí
17,053
Sávant Vádí
9,269
Vengurle
78 mi. from Ratnágirí
10,134
Belgaum
60 mi. from Kolhápúr
55 mi. from Vengurle
(German Mission)
40,737
Goa
Belgaum
Collectorate
Goa
Panjim
110 mi. from Ratnágirí
about 15,000
Portuguese
Province

Field of the "Western India Mission".

Approximate boundary of mission.

Traced from Government School Map.

Ratnágiri India
23 November 1893.

Mr. Robert E. Speer, Secretary
Board F.M., Presb. Church in U.S.A., New York.
Dear Brother:

I send you by mail today a registered package, containing a copy of the Minutes of the Twenty-first Annual Meeting of the "Western India Mission", lately closed, including estimates for 1894-5, and the Reports of the several Stations.

In these Minutes will be found the Mission's replies on several matters that you had proposed for action; questions put in your letter of 15 Feb'y 1893, on homoeopathic medical missionaries, answered on page 35 of the Minutes; your advice in a postscript of 15 June 1893, concerning resignation of Mr. and Mrs. Seiler, answered by a request for reappointment, page 34; your suggestion of 9 August 1893 for new arrangement of forces, answered by request for authority to open two new stations and to abandon an old one, pages 32, 51 and 59.

Other requests are made; on title applied to this Mission, page 36; on appropriation for sanitarium, pages 21, 37 and 74; on appropriation for hospital, pages 38 and 74; on new property, showing Mission's preferences, pages 38, 44, 51, 59, 66 and 74; and on new missionaries, pages 33 and 77.

We thank God for the countless mercies of the past year, prominent among which are the brotherly kindness, and spiritual and financial support received from you, the Board and the Church. We look for increased blessings as a means to glorify Him more and more.

Yours in Christ,
William H. Hannum,
Secretary, American Presb.
Mission in Western India.

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21st Annual Meeting

The Twenty-first Annual Meeting of the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India convened in the Mission Bungalow at Panhálá at 8 P.M., 19 October 1893. President Graham conducted devotional exercises and opened the meeting with prayer.

The roll was called, showing Mr. Graham, Mr. Goheen, Mr. and Mrs. Ferris, Mr. Tedford, Mrs. Wilder, Miss Wilder, Miss Sherman, Mr. Irwin, Miss Irwin, Mr. Hannum and Miss Minor present. Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Tedford and Mr. and Mrs. Jolly were absent in America. Several members were absent on account of sickness.

Mr. Hannum presented the Report of the Committee of Arrangements, thus: Your Committee of Arrangements begs to recommend, 1st That one session be held daily from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. with an intermission from 12 M. to 2 P.M. except that on each Saturday the session close at 12 M., and that the first half-hour of each session be spent in devotional exercises to be led by the gentlemen members in order of seniority; 2nd That the sacrament of the Lord's Supper be administered in the Home Chapel, Panhálá on Sunday October 22, 1893, at 11 A.M., Mr. Tedford to distribute the bread and Mr. Irwin the cup, and that the Annual Sermon be preached on the same day at 8 P.M.; 3rd That other services be held as follows:

Friday October 20, 8 P.M. On 1 Thess. 5:18 and 1 John 1:9, led by Mr. Graham,
Tuesday " 24, 8 " " Gal. 3:14 , " " Dr. Wanless,
Thursday " 26, 8 " " 1 Cor. 9:22 , " " Mr. Ferris,
Sunday " 29, 8 " Sermon " Mr. Tedford.

4th That all services be in English and except as otherwise stated in the Mission Bungalow, Panhaḷá.

William H. Hannum, Lucy H. Ferris, Committee.

On motion the Report was adopted.

The Minutes of the Twentieth Annual Meeting were read.

A motion to adjourn was made and carried. Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Tedford.

Second Session.

The Second Session met at 10 A.M. 20 October 1893. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Graham. Members were present as at the First Session. Miss Patton also was present and Mrs. Goheen came in later.

The Minutes of the First Session were read.

The President presented his Report of Circular Business as follows: The following motions arranged in chronological order were carried except as otherwise stated.

J. P. Graham, President.

Moved: That we add to the estimates for Miraj

Station a request for a medical lady to be sent out next year.

Nov. 2, 1892.

Moved: That in reply to the letter of the Deputy Educational Inspector of Kolhápur State, the Principal of the Mission High School be hereby instructed to send our request for the cancelling of our registration for grants-in-aid from the Kolhápur State with some of the reasons moving us thereto.

Kolhápur Nov. 24, 1892.

Moved: That the Hannums and Miss Jefferson and Miss Minor be permitted to start for Mahábaleshvar as soon as the Doctor at Ratnágiri deems it advisable.

Kolhápur 23 January 1893.

As Mrs. Jolly's physicians have expressed the opinion that a change is necessary on account of her health, Moved: That Mr. Jolly be permitted to spend the hot season at Mahábaleshvar with his family.

February 22, 1893.

Moved: That without assuming any responsibility for the expense incurred the Mission sanction Mr. Ferris's publishing "Indian Notes" for home friends.

February 23, 1893.

As Dr. Sinclair has recommended that Mrs. Goheen and Miss Irwin spend the hot season on the hills on account of their health, Moved: That

Miss Irwin be permitted to spend the hot season at Mahábaleshwar and Mrs. Goheen at Panháḷá

Kolhápur March 8, 1893.

Moved: That Miss Patton be authorized to spend her school vacation at Mahábaleshwar.

Sánglí April 1, 1893.

Moved: That the overture to the next General Assembly adopted at our last Annual Meeting in reference to salaried emeritus secretaries of our Church Boards be withdrawn, and our Secretary be instructed to communicate this action to the Stated Clerk of the Assembly.

Panháḷá April 12, 1893.

Owing to chronic illness in Khanḍobá L. Paḍaghalamal's family it is advisable to remove him from Ratnágirí. Therefore, Moved: That he and family be transferred from Ratnágirí to Sánglí.

Panháḷá May 3, 1893.

Moved: That the expenses for a nurse during Miss Jefferson's recent illness be paid by the Mission

May 8, 1893

Moved: That the motion concerning nurse for Miss Jefferson be laid on the table until we can hear from the Board in reference to the general question of nurses.

Panháḷá May 10, 1893.

Moved: That the Secretary be

instructed to write to the Board for definite instruction in regard to the following points. 1st In cases of confinement Rs100 have been allowed by the Mission for a nurse. Does the Board approve of this principle? 2nd In cases of sickness where it is necessary to hire a nurse does the Board approve of the charge being met out of Mission funds? 3rd In cases where wife or children are in America and medical and nurse bills have to be paid, will the Board pay the same? 4th Does the salary paid by the Board include a conveyance, or if a missionary owning a conveyance uses it on touring or Mission business, does the Board approve of charge for same being made? (It should be stated that missionaries are allowed to hire conveyances otherwise than their own for touring etc.)

Panháḷá May 10, 1893.

Moved: That Mr. and Mrs. Ferris be permitted to spend the rains at Sángli.

Panháḷá May 16, 1893.

In view of Mrs Jolly's failing health and in accordance with the recommendation of her medical advisers, Moved: That Mr. Jolly and family be permitted to return at once to America and that he be authorized to employ an ayah to accompany them as far as England. Panháḷá May 18, 1893.

Moved: That the President of the Mission be instructed to send the following cablegram to the Board in New York, "Inculcate New York Withdraw Overtime (Sig.) Kolhápur." Panhálá May 16, 1893.

The President declared the motion carried, but by an appeal his decision was reversed, and the motion was declared lost. May 19, 1893.

Moved: That Mr. Graham be placed on the Building Committee in place of Mr. Jolly, gone home. Sángli June 8, 1893.

Moved: That the Building Committee be instructed to correspond with the Board to get their consent to the Mission's using the grants for a bungalow at Panhálá and the workshop at Sángli towards securing a bungalow at Mahábaleshwar.

Sángli June 15, 1893.

Moved: That Kṛishṇábái be employed as a teacher in the Kolhápur Bazar Girl's School on an allowance of Rs 6 a month, this motion to take effect from November last. Lost.

Panhálá May 10, 1893.

Moved: That we reconsider the motion inregard to employing Kṛishṇábái Chávaṇ as teacher in the Bazar School. Kolhápur June 20, 1893.

The original motion was carried.

Moved: That Dr. Wanless be permitted to employ a compounder in the Miraj Dispensary on pay not to exceed Rs 25 per mensem.

Miraj June 24, 1893.

Moved: That the employment of one servant in each Mission Dispensary on pay not to exceed Rs 7 per mensem be sanctioned. Miraj June 24, 1893.

Moved: That in answer to Dayabai's request we grant her Rs 6.6.6 expense incurred in attending the last annual "melā." Sāngli June 30, 1893.

On motion laid on the table till Mission Meeting.

Moved: 1st That our Secretary be instructed to write to the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission expressing our most sincere thanks for the help offered in a letter from the Secretary of that Society addressed to Miss Wilder and dated June 9, 1893, and our readiness to coöperate joyfully in the all-important work of a common Master in this vast Empire; that he also express our approval of the plan of coöperation according to the laws of the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission (understanding that all expenses such as house-rent, travelling etc. shall be met by said Society); that he ask that ladies be sent to us who are willing to unite with us in the services and sacraments of our Church and who are abstainers from the use of intoxicants as a beverage;

and that he inform the Soiety that we have heard with pleasure of the appointment of Miss Kate Green and Miss F. Unsworth and shall give them a hearty welcome on their arrival. 2nd That the Secretary be instructed to write to our Board informing them of this action, which is subject to their approval. 3rd That Rev. William H. Hannum be appointed Secretary of the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission in our Mission field and that the ladies under appointment be assigned to Ratnágiri.

Kolhápur July 5, 1893.

Moved: That the Secretary be instructed to incorporate the following suggestions in his letter to the Board in reference to the Mission action concerning the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission: 1st We understand from the action of the Board that they are under a misapprehension as to the relation these ladies are to sustain to the Board and to our Mission in India. 2nd The Board is asked to incur no expense in sending them to our Mission, and if by reason of illness or for any other cause it becomes necessary for them to leave the field, their own Soiety provides the funds. 3rd They are not to be incorporated with us as members of our Mission. They therefore come into no direct relation to our Board and hence it seems to us unnecessary to ask them to enter into direct correspondence with our Board. We believe this action will be satisfactory to our Board, as is a similar arrangement at Lahore. Should the Board disapprove of this action, we request that they write at once to the Society, and also inform us. Kolhápur, July 5, 1893.

Moved: That Miss Wilder be placed in charge of the Áditavár Girls' School, Kolhápur.

Kolhápur July 13, 1893.

Moved: That Miss Irwin resume charge of the Bazar Girls' School, Kolhápur. Kolhápur July 13, 1893.

Reports of Stations were called. Mr. Ferris presented a partial report for Panhálá Station. Miss Sherman presented a partial report for Sángli Station.

Reports of Missionaries were called. Mr. Goheen, Mr. Irwin, Mrs. Wilder, Miss Patton and Miss Wilder presented reports.

After intermission, Miss Irwin, Mrs. Goheen, Mr. Hannum and Miss Minor read their reports. Miss Minor also read Miss Jefferson's report. Mr. Ferris, Mrs. Ferris and Miss Sherman read their reports.

Reports of Committees were called. Mr. Graham presented the *Report* of the Auditing Committee thus: The Auditing Committee beg to report that they examined the accounts of the Mission and found them correct.

Respectfully Submitted, J. P. Graham, J. M. Goheen, Committee.

On motion the Report was accepted.

Mr. Irwin presented the Report of the Publishing Committee thus: We would respectfully report that nothing has been placed in our hands for publication.

J. M. Irwin, Lucy H. Ferris, Committee.

On motion the Report was accepted.

Miss Wilder presented the Report of the Examining Committee thus: The Committee on Examination of new missionaries beg to report that Mr. Hannum presented himself for the final examination in the Maráthí Language on November 16, 1892, Mr. Irwin on November 25, 1892, and Miss Irwin on July 5, 1893. On account of the absence of Miss Wilder from India Mr. Graham was assisted in the examination of Mr. Hannum by Mr. Ferris, and in the examination of Mr. Irwin by Mr. Goheen. All of the candidates passed.

Respectfully Submitted

G. E. Wilder, J. P. Graham, Committee.

On motion the Report was accepted.

Mr. Graham presented the Report of the Committee on Theological Class, thus: Your Committee respectfully beg to report that the number of members in the theological class, which was in session from 15th March to 15th May, was six. Of these four were from the Kolhápur field and two from the Panhálá field. Instruction was given as follows: In Systematic Theology, by Mr. Ferris; in

Old Testament History, Genesis, by Mr. Graham; in New Testament History, John's Gospel, by Mr. Graham; in New Testament Exegesis, Hebrews, by Mr. Ferris; in Church Standards, Shorter Catechism, by Mr. Ferris; in Church History, to the Reformation, by Mr. Graham. As a homiletical exercise a text was assigned each week on which half the members of the class delivered discourses and the other half prepared outlines for sermons, which were reviewed and criticised. While we have no doubt that all received benefit from their attendance in the class-room and at the preaching exercises, we think that three of the number are worthy of special mention because of their application and improvement in the subjects contained in the course of study. They are Basantráv Ṭhákur, Tayápá Sumáji and Tukárám Rámji. Your Committee would recommend the continuance of the Class.

J. P. Graham, G. W. Ferris, Committee.

On motion the Report was accepted and the Committee continued.

Mr. Ferris presented the Report of the Committee on Boys' Boarding School thus: Your Committee to examine the Boys' Boarding School, Sángli, were present at the final examination of the School in September last, and would report as follows. On the whole the boys passed a very creditable examination and showed that they had been receiving good instruction during the year. Arithmetic seems to be the one branch which the boys as a rule do not easily comprehend. Yet a few passed well even in this. Whether it is a fault of the teachers, or because the class from which our children come do not readily take to this branch of study we do not pretend to say, but simply suggest that the instruction in this department be carefully supervised to see if anything can be done to help the boys to a better comprehension of the subject, either by securing a master better qualified to teach this branch, or by stimulating suggestions to the pupils. It might be advisable to offer a few prizes for proficiency and progress in Arithmetic if by so doing the boys could be stimulated to better work. The writing of the boys in balabodha and modi was remarkably good. The examinations were very thorough and in Bible, History, Geography, Catechism and writing the boys averaged very well. As Miss Patton was unable to be present, Mr. Graham kindly served for her on the Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,
G. W. Ferris, J. P. Graham, Committee.

On motion the Report was accepted.

Mr. Ferris presented an oral Report for the Committee on High School. On motion the Report was accepted.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Irwin.

Third Session.

The Third Session met at 10 A.M. 21 October, 1893. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Goheen. Members were present as at the Second Session except Mrs. Goheen.

The Minutes of the Second Session were read and corrected

Reports of Missionaries were resumed. Mr. Tedford and Mr. Graham read their Reports.

Reports of Committees were resumed. Mr. Ferris presented the Report of the Building Committee. On motion it was referred back to the Committee for completion.

Mr. Ferris presented the Report of the Committee on Titles thus: Your Committee on Titles would report as follows. A letter in reference to this matter was received from Mr. Dulles, Treasurer of the Board, enclosing a copy of advice received from a lawyer in North India. This letter from Mr. Dulles came too late for us to take any action in reference to it before Mission Meeting, and we herewith present the letters, asking either to be discharged and a new Committee appointed or to be continued that we may carry out the wish of the Board in the matter.

Respectfully Submitted,
G. H. Ferris, Chairman; William H. Hannum,
Members of Committee.

Mr. Ferris also read the letters referred to in the Report. On motion the Report was accepted and the Committee continued.

Moved: That Miss Sherman be permitted to go to Kolhápur to be with Mrs. Wanless two days while Dr. Wanless comes to Panhálá for the Meeting. Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Irwin.

The Lord's Supper was celebrated on Sabbath, 22 October, 1893, 11 A.M., Mr. Tedford distributing the bread and Mr. Irwin the cup. The Annual Sermon was preached on the same day at 8 P.M. by Mr. Goheen from Philippians 2:5, "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus."

Fourth Session.

The Fourth Session met at 10 A.M., 23 October 1893. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Ferris. Members were present as at the Third Session. Mrs. Goheen also was present.

The Minutes of the Third Session were read.

Reports of Stations were resumed. Mr. Goheen presented the Report of Kolhápur Station.

After intermission Mr. Ferris presented the Report of the Building Committee thus: During the past year plans for cook-rooms at Ratnágiri and Sángli were submitted to the Committee and approved. The work on the Hospital at Miraj has been commenced and carried on during the year and several important changes in the work have been sanctioned, changes rendered necessary in order to give needed strength to the second story floor, as for example, increase in number and size of iron beams on which the floors are to rest. The plan has also been changed to have a concrete instead of a plank floor in order that the floors might be easily flooded and thus the Hospital be more readily and thoroughly kept in a state of absolute cleanliness. Your Committee also in accordance with instructions from the Mission prepared and forwarded to the Board a letter asking permission to use funds granted for bungalow at Panhálá and workshop at Sángli towards securing property at Mahábaleshwar, the result of which is a letter from Mr. Speer in behalf of the Council of the Board instructing the Mission to prepare plans and estimates for a sanitarium at Mahábaleshwar to be submitted to the Board for approval. Your Committee were unable to fulfil the instructions of the Mission to prepare plans and specifications for a High School

building in Kolhápur for the following reasons;
1 Sickness in Mr Jolly's family preventing him, the only member of the Committee qualified to make such plans, from doing so. 2 Lack of appropriation to enable us to employ a suitable architect after Mr Jolly's return to America, to make the plans for us. As there is no appropriation for such a purpose, and as the Board made no grant this year for a High School building, and as a plan prepared on general principles with no particular site in view would probably prove unadapted to a site which may sometime be acquired, we would recommend that for the present the preparation of the plans and specifications called for be suspended.
Our thanks are due to Mr R.H. Shannon, B.A., C.E., State Engineer, Kolhápur, for valuable advice and help in reference to various matters concerning which there was doubt in the minds of the Committee. Mr Shannon kindly made the working plans for us for parts of the building, he once visited Miraj to examine the work and he also let us have for a time one of the State overseers to direct the workmen in the construction of the main stairway. For all this gratuitous help so kindly given we wish here to express our feeling of appreciation and gratitude. Respectfully Submitted,
Geo. H. Ferris, J.P. Graham, J.M. Goheen, Committee.

On motion the Report was accepted.

Mr. Graham presented an additional Report of the Examining Committee; that Miss Minor presented herself for the final examination in Marāṭhī on October 21, 1893, and passed. On motion the Report was accepted.

Mr. Graham presented the Report of the Committee on Girls' Boarding School thus; Your Committee beg to report that they visited the Boarding School at Kolhāpur and were present at an examination which occupied the whole of Monday and Tuesday, 2nd and 3rd inst. All of the classes were examined in the whole of the religious studies of the year, and each ~~some of the~~ class~~es~~ in some of the secular studies of the course. The examination, which was conducted partly by the Committee, and partly by the teachers of the School, showed that there had been faithful and careful instruction on the part of the teachers and commendable progress on the part of the pupils. We were much pleased with the neat and tidy appearance of the girls and the excellent order in the school-room. We think Miss Patton, the lady in charge of the School, is also to be congratulated on the success that has attended her effort to teach the girls, when reciting lessons from the Catechism, Scriptures and other religious books, to speak distinctly and without that usual rapidity which so often mars the recitation of religious truth committed to memory. It was with great pleasure that we listened especially to the intelligent and reverent recitation of a number of well-chosen Psalms.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. P. Graham, A. McGoheen, Committee.

On motion the Report was accepted.

A request from Mr. N. D. Nandgaokar, teacher in the High School, for increase of pay was presented. On motion the Secretary was instructed to inform him that the Mission does not see its way clear to grant his request.

Moved: That the Locating Committee be instructed to recommend points in this Mission field for new Stations, to report as soon as possible. Carried.

By request a letter received by the Secretary from Rev. A.R. Cavalier, Secretary of the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission, concerning the sending of ladies to work in coöperation with our Mission, was read for the information of the members.

On motion the motion concerning nurse for Miss Jefferson was taken from the table. On motion it was amended so as to read, "That the expenses for a nurse during Miss Jefferson's recent illness be paid by the Mission in view of the action of the Board communicated in Mr. Speer's letter of August 19, 1893." Carried.

Moved: That on account of Miss Jefferson's illness her final examination in Maráthi be deferred to next Hot Season. Carried.

A petition from Bábájí Jain, teacher in the Shaniwár Peth School, Kolhápur, asking for increase of pay, was presented. On motion the Secretary was instructed to inform him that the petition was not granted.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Irwin.

Fifth Session.

The Fifth Session met at 10:15 A.M. 24 October 1893. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Tedford. Members were present as at the Fouth Session, except Mrs. Goheen and Miss Sherman. Dr. Wanless also was present.

The Minutes of the Fourth Session were read.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to communicate to Mr. Shannon the part of the Building Committee's Report refering to him.

On motion the consideration of the securing of a sanitarium at Mahábaleshvar was made the order for the next day, 10:30 A.M.

Parts of Mr. Speer's letters of December 20, 1892, and February 15, 1893, refering to the appointment of homoeopathic medical missionaries were read. On motion the consideration of that subject was made the order for today, 2 P.M.

On motion the motion on course of study for girls' schools was taken from the table and made the order for the next day, 2 P.M.

Mr. Ferris orally presented a financial statement concerning publication of "Indian Notes".

Moved: That the sum of Rs 9 paid Hánábái for teaching in the Bazar Girls' School at Kolhápur from July 1 to October 31, 1893, be sanctioned. Carried.

Moved: That the rule in reference to the employment and pay of Christian teachers be interpreted as applying to Christian women. Carried.

After intermission the order of the day, the consideration of the appointment of homoeopathic medical missionaries was taken up. Moved: That a committee of three be appointed to recommend replies to the two questions put by Mr. Speer, to report as soon as possible. Carried. The President appointed Dr. Wanless, Mr. Irwin and Mrs. Ferris.

Moved: That no one be allowed to employ the wife of a helper as a teacher without the permission of the missionary under whom the helper is laboring, and that when a wife is thus employed, the allowance to her husband for his wife cease. Carried.

Moved: That the Secretary be instructed to write to Dr. Worden, of the Board of Publication, thanking him for sending the "Westminster Teacher" to the different missionaries, expressing their appreciation of the same, and asking that one copy be sent for each family in the Mission. Carried.

Moved: That a charge not to exceed Rs 180 per annum be allowed for a conveyance when one is kept or hired for Mission work, this action subject to the approval of the Board. Carried.

Moved: That Mr. Irwin be invited to give his paper on Education before the members of the Mission tomorrow at 8 P.M. Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Ferris.

Sixth Session

The Sixth Session met at 10 A.M. 25 October 1893. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Hannum. Members were present as at the Fifth Session except Dr. Wanless, called away by sickness in his family.

The Minutes of the Fifth Session were read and corrected.

The order of the day, the consideration of the securing of a sanitarium at Mahábaleshwar, was taken up.

Moved: That the Building Committee be instructed to correspond with the Board, urging the necessity of an appropriation for a sanitarium at Mahábaleshwar being made without unnecessary delay and without requiring beforehand plans and specifications of buildings to be built or purchased, and that they also take whatever steps are necessary to secure a suitable site and buildings as soon as possible. Carried.

The motion concerning expense of Dayábáí in attendance at Annual Convention was taken from the table and lost.

Petitions from Dayábáí Bhingárudeve, Govindráv Málap and Bhikájí Pawár concerning certain traveling expenses were presented. On motion the Secretary was instructed to answer that the Mission does not see its way clear to grant these petitions.

Mr. Goheen presented the Report of the Visiting Committee thus: Your Committee beg to report that owing chiefly to serious illness in our families we were unable to leave our Stations in order to carry out the instructions of the Mission.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. M. Goheen, W. J. Wanless, Committee.

On motion the Report was accepted.

Moved: That a committee be appointed to correspond with missionaries of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions at Ahmednagar and with our northern Missions to secure information as to their customs in regard to paying expenses of their helpers in attending the Christian Conventions ("Melá"), and to report at the next Annual Meeting. Carried. The President appointed Mrs. Ferris as the Committee.

After intermission the order of the day, the motion on course of study in girls' schools, was taken up and discussed. The motion was lost.

Moved: That the rules for girls' vernacular schools be revised by a committee to be appointed, who are to report next Monday at 10:30 A.M. Carried. The President appointed Mrs. Ferris and Misses Wilder, Minor and Sherman and Mrs. Goheen.

Moved: That the Mission recognize the Bible Woman's normal class as Mission work and sanction the traveling expenses incurred by the members in connection with the annual examination. Carried.

Moved: That when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet on Friday, 10 A.M., on account of the meeting of the Kolhápur Presbytery. Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Goheen.

Seventh Session.

The Seventh Session met at 10 A.M. 27 October 1893. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Irwin. Members were present as at the Sixth Session.

The Minutes of the Sixth Session were read.

After intermission, Moved: That a committee of two be appointed to draft an expression of the Mission's view and purpose concerning the educational system of the Mission, to report tomorrow 10:30 A.M. Carried. The President appointed Messrs. Hannum and Ferris.

Moved: That the rule in reference to the employment of non-Christian teachers be interpreted as applicable to the employment of non-Christian women teachers. Lost. On motion the vote, 5 affirmative and 7 negative, was recorded.

Moved: That the grant of Rs 10 per month towards the support of the pastor of the Aiyatavádi Church be continued for another year.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Tedford.

Eighth Session.

The Eighth Session met at 10 A.M. 28 October 1893. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Graham. Members were present as at the Seventh Session.

Moved: That in view of the death of Dr. and Mrs. Wanless's infant son, we adjourn to meet 30 October, 10 A.M. Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Hannum.

Whereas: Our policy though a definite one has never been clearly expressed in our records; therefore

Be it Resolved: 1 That the ordinary vernacular schools have primary reference to the non-Christian community and are intended as an agency for the evangelization of the middle and lower classes;

2 The Christian Boarding Schools have reference to the Christian community, and are intended for the training of the youth of our churches and the development of that Christian character in all our young men and women which will fit them for usefulness either in private life or Mission service; though at the same time it is also the intention to receive into these schools such promising non-Christian girls and boys as desire to become members of our community;

3 The High School at present has reference primarily to the higher castes of the non-Christian community in order to give an opportunity of reaching them by evangelistic effort. Nevertheless the following should be kept in view, as expressing the policy of the Mission in reference to the School; (1) the replacing of the non-Christian by Christian teachers as soon as possible in order to increase its efficiency as an evangelistic agency; (2) The higher training of such of our Christian youth as the demands of the work

require; (3) the ultimate aim being to make the School an institution of higher education in the main for the benefit of the Christian community.

William H. Hannum, G. H. Ferris, Committee.

After intermission the Report was on motion adopted.

Reports of Stations were resumed, and Miss Minor read the Report of Ratnágirí Station.

Reports of Missionaries were resumed, and Dr. Wanless presented an oral Report. On motion all the Station Reports read were approved.

Moved: That the employment of Yésvantráv Yákobá as a catechist under Dr. Wanless at Miráj be sanctioned, and that his allowance be granted from July 12, 1893. Carried.

Moved: That Mr. and Mrs. Hannum, Miss Minor and Miss Jefferson be permitted to spend the next Hot Season at Panháḷá. Carried.

Moved: That Mr. and Miss Irwin be allowed to rent a bungalow in Kolhápur Camp for Rs 35 a month. Carried.

Moved: That Mr. and Mrs. Goheen be permitted to spend the Hot Season at Mahábaleshwar. Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Tedford.

Tenth Session.

The Tenth Session met at 10 A.M. 31 October 1893. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Tedford. Members were present as at the Ninth Session except Mrs. Goheen.

The Minutes of the Ninth Session were read and corrected.

The order of the day, the Report of the Committee on revision of rules for girls' vernacular schools, was called. Mrs. Ferris presented the Report thus: Your Committee for the revision of the rules for our ordinary vernacular schools for girls beg to report that they have gone over the present rules and would make the following suggestions for changes:

I That the present introduction be dropped and the following suggestions for the future guidance of missionaries be inserted and in English only: 1 No school shall be started without the approval of the Station. 2 Missionaries in charge of a girls' vernacular school are allowed to purchase a chair, table, blackboard, maps, abacus, with usual slates and text-books. 3 The text-books in reading and grammar shall be those of the Christian Literature Society, unless otherwise stated. 4 Text-books shall be given to pupils on promotion. 5 A supply of slates and pencils shall be kept for the use of the pupils below the second class. 6 A woman to bring the girls to school may be employed at a rate not to exceed Rs 3 a month. 7 Pupil-teachers may be employed at a rate not to exceed Re 1 a month for each teacher, the whole expense not to exceed Rs 2 a month exclusive of perquisites. 8 Material for sewing-work may be purchased to an amount not exceeding twelve annas a year for each pupil. 9 There shall be quarterly examinations for promotion by the missionary in charge of the Station, and monthly examinations to ascertain progress by the missionary in charge of the school. 10 A small piece of soap may be given each week to encourage cleanliness and regularity, the child if absent from Sabbath-school not to receive it, though one week-day absence may be excused. 11 A missionary may give to boys attending girls' schools the advantages of soap, sewing-work and text-books, without the prize for rising, though the teacher may receive the perquisite for the same. 12 An annual present at Christmas or such time as best suits the one in charge may be given to each pupil at a cost not to exceed eight annas for each pupil, said prize not to exceed one anna for each month of attendance.

II That certain additions be made to and indicated omissions be allowed in the present course of study, as follows: the religious subjects to be placed uniformly at the beginning of the requirements for each class:

1st Class Prefix "Bodhapar" to "Catechism". Specify 21 questions to same. Add to present studies, "Five tables" and "17 lessons in Government Ujalaniche Pustak".

2nd Class Specify 72 questions in Catechism. Add the word "additional" to "five tables". Add "First Book for children, published by Bombay Tract & Book Society".

3rd Class Add the word "additional to "five tables". Add "Write numbers up to 10,000 and add and subtract up to same." Add "Beatitudes to commit." Add "Oral Geography."

4th Class Add "additional" to "five tables". Add to "Multiplication" "numbers less than 10,000 by numbers less than 100." Add "Local Geography, one-half," and omit the words "13 lessons." Add "Modi" at the pleasure of the missionary."

5th Class Add "John 3:16-21 to commit." Add "two hymns to commit." Add "Finish Local Geography." Specify Government Arithmetic. Omit reference to Bombay Presidency.

6th Class Specify Government Arithmetic, common fractions and native tables for money, weights and measures, with examples. Omit other requirements in same. Specify Bombay Presidency Government Geography. Specify Gospel of Luke.

7th Class Add "Barth's Bible Stories, Old Testament, to learn and be examined on." Specify Geography of Hindustan, Government Series.

Prizes to pupils to remain the same, except that we add to "blanket worth one rupee" the words "or such other thing of same value as the missionary may prefer". Add also to "hymn-book" "and waist not to exceed twelve annas." Perquisites for rising to remain the same. Add to the rules the suggestion that the teachers for the sake of uniformity teach but one form of the Lord's Prayer and Ten Commandments, and that form as found in the Kolhapur Catechism. Add also "The golden texts shall be taught weekly, and reviewed quarterly for the preceding quarter."

III That the Mission approve and sanction the printing of a small elementary geography containing about sixty questions, as a guide to teachers of oral geography, the geography teaching the main divisions of land and water, points of compass etc.

IV That the Publishing Committee be instructed to print 100 copies of the rules and 500 copies of the geography. Respectfully Submitted, L. M. Ferris, J. H. Sherman, G. E. Wilder, C. S. Irwin, J. M. Goheen, Committee. On motion the recommendations in the Report were considered seriatim. They were discussed through the second recommendation.

After intermission the consideration was continued. On motion the Report was adopted. Moved: That the rules go into effect 1st May 1894. Carried.

Mr. Graham presented the Report of the Locating Committee. On motion the Report was considered seriatim. The consideration was continued through the sixth recommendation.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Irwin.

Eleventh Session.

The Eleventh Session met at 10 A.M. 1 November 1893. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Ferris. Members were present as at the Tenth Session.

The Minutes of the Tenth Session were read and corrected.

Moved: That the Board be asked to authorize the opening of Islámpur as a station in place of Panháḷá in order to the more efficient working of the Panháḷá field. Carried.

The consideration of the Report of the Locating Committee was resumed. It was amended to read as follows: Your Committee respectfully beg to make the following recommendations: 1 That Rev. Mr. Simonson and Dr. Winter be located at Miraj. 2 That Miss Brown be located at Sángli. 3 That the Christian Girls' Boarding School be transferred to Panháḷá until June 1st on account of Miss Patton's health, and that Mrs. Goheen be appointed to assist her in that school from June 1st to the next Annual Meeting. 4 That Mr. Hannum have charge of the Church at Ratnágiri. 5 That Mr. Graham have charge of the Christian Boys' Boarding School at Sángli. 6 That we ask the Board for authority to occupy a new station in the Ratnágiri

Collectorate, at Vengurle. 7 That the Board be requested to send out missionaries in order of preference as follows:

For Sángli Mr. Jolly (or some one to take his place)
" Vengurle An ordained man
" Panháḷá " " "
" Vengurle Dr. Townsend
" Kolhápur A single lady for Christian Girls' Boarding School.
For Miraj A single lady.

Respectfully submitted,
J. P. Graham, Chairman, on behalf of Committee.

After intermission the Report was on motion, adopted.

Moved: That the following rules with reference to the Miraj Hospital and other dispensary medical helpers be approved, and that those in charge be allowed to employ helpers without a motion on pay not to exceed the respective sums herein mentioned.

One hospital assistant	Rs 75 a month
" apothecary	30 " "
" assistant apothecary	15 " "
" dispensary servant	7 " "
Two hospital servants	7 each a month
One " cook	8 " "

A nurses' class to the extent of 6 nurses, at average

cost	Rs 5	a month
One matron for nurses	5	" "
For each other dispensary		
One apothecary	Rs 30	a month
" assistant apothecary	15	" "
" servant	7	" "

Carried.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted.
Whereas: The Mission is informed by the Secretary of the Board that Rev. and Mrs. Seiler have resigned their connection with the Board,

Resolved: 1 That the Mission express its sincere sorrow and regret at this step, its belief that Mr. Seiler is by experience, linguistic ability, temperament and spirituality fitted to a rare degree for work in this field, and its opinion based on information received from him and on personal acquaintance that the return to India would be a wise step for the health both of Mr. and of Mrs. Seiler; and

2 That the Mission therefore earnestly request the Board to reappoint Mr. and Mrs. Seiler for work in this field, giving them the preference over all new missionaries asked.

Moved: That the President be instructed to write to the Board fully expressing the sense of the Mission concerning the return of Mr. and Mrs. Seiler. Carried.

Dr. Wanless presented the Report of the Committee on replies concerning homoeopathic medical missionaries, thus: Your Committee appointed to draft a reply to the Board's letter with reference to the question of sending to the field physicians of the homoeopathic school would report as follows: First, In reference to the general question submitted by the Board we would say that in our opinion it would as a rule be preferable to send only physicians of the school already on the field, but that under special circumstances a physician of the homoeopathic school may be sent provided the following conditions can be complied with; 1 That he have a special training in surgery by taking a course in a regular surgical hospital. 2 That he be permanently assigned to a definite and separate section of the Mission field to which he may be sent in order that professional intercourse with medical missionaries of the other school may be prevented and thereby all occasion for friction avoided. Secondly, In reference to the Board's second inquiry as to the propriety of sending homoeopathic physicians to the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India we would reply that since the two physicians already in our Mission and all Government physicians in India are allopathic, it would seem desirable to send those of the same school. However in the case of a suitable candidate meeting the above conditions we would be glad to welcome him as a fellow-worker in the Lord's vineyard and would assign him to a special district within the limits of our Mission field.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. Wanless, J. M. Irwin, L. B. Ferris, Committee.

On motion the Report was adopted.

Moved: That the attention of the Board be called to our formal title, the "American Presbyterian Mission in Western India", and that the Board be requested, in their publications, letters etc., to call our Mission the "Western India Mission" in place of the "Kolhápur Mission". Carried.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Shannon acknowledging the communication ordered in the Fifth Session.

Moved: That the Secretary be instructed to express to Dr. J. A. Sinclair of the Kolhápur State Hospital, and to Surgeon-Captain W. E. Jennings of Ratnágiri the heartfelt thanks of the Mission for their inestimable and gratuitous services in faithfully and skilfully attending our missionaries and their families in cases of illness. Carried.

Moved. That in sending in estimates to the Board, where the vote in reference to a particular estimate is less than two-thirds of the Mission, it be recorded. Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Dr. Wanless.

Twelfth Session.

The Twelfth Session met at 10 A.M. 2 November 1893. Devotional exercises were led by Dr. Wanless. Members were present as at the Eleventh Session. Mrs. Goheen also was present.

The Minutes of the Eleventh Session were read.

Moved: That when an appeal from the decision of the President is made on a question involving the expenditure of the Board's funds, a two-thirds vote shall be required to sustain such decision. Carried.

Estimates were called. Mr. Goheen presented estimates for Kolhápur Station.

After intermission, Moved: That Miss Wilder be allowed to assist Pandita Ramábái in the preparation of a temperance text-book. Carried.

Consideration of Estimates for Kolhápur Station was resumed. Mr. Hannum presented estimates for Ratnágiri Station, Mr. Ferris for Panhálá, Mr. Graham for Sángli and Dr. Wanless for Miraj.

Moved: That we ask the Board for an appropriation of $5000 for a sanitarium at Mahábaleshvar. Carried.

Moved: That the Board be requested to make an extra appropriation of ₨2500 to complete the hospital immediately in order that the work of building be not delayed. Carried.

Moved: That the preferences of the Mission for new property asked be expressed in the following order:

1 Sanitarium, Mahábaleshwar.
2 Land and Bungalow, Vengurle
3 Bungalow, Sángli
4 Additions to Schoolroom and Dormitory, Kolhápur
5 Land and Bungalow, Islámpur
6 Bungalow, Miraj
7 Dormitory, Sángli
8 Land for Church, Ratnágiri
9 Land for High School, Kolhápur
10 Land and house for school, Tásgáv
11 House for school and teacher, Islámpur
12 Land at Bungalow, Kodoli. Carried.

Moved: That the Estimates as read and corrected be approved. Carried. They were as follows:

The President appointed the following Committees:

Of Arrangements: Mrs. Goheen, Mr. Ferris.

On Examination of Christian Girls' Boarding School: Miss Wilder, Mr. Irwin.

On Examination of Christian Boys' Boarding School: Miss Patton, Mr. Hannum.

Visiting: Mr. Tedford, Dr. Wanless.

On Examination of High School: Mr. Goheen, Mr. Hannum.

On motion Dr. Wanless was excused for the remainder of the Meeting.

On motion a recess was taken till 8 P.M.

After recess Election of Officers was called. On motion the method of voting for officers used last year was followed. Results were as follows:

President	Mr. Graham
Secretary	" Hannum
Treasurer	" Ferris
Librarian	Miss Wilder
Member of Auditing Committee	Mr. Graham
" " Publishing "	" Hannum
" " Examining "	Miss Patton
" " Building "	Mr. Ferris

The Minutes of the Twenty-first Annual Meeting were read and approved.

The Meeting adjourned with prayer by the President.

William H. Hannum,
Secretary.

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MINUTES OF THE 22d ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

WESTERN INDIA MISSION,

OCT. 18, 1894.

Minutes
# of American Presbyterian Mission in Western India.
22nd Annual Meeting

The Twenty-second Annual Meeting of the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India convened in the Mission Bungalow at Panhàḷà at 8:10 P.M., 18 October 1894. President Graham opened the meeting with prayer.

The roll was called showing Mr. and Mrs. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Goheen, Mrs. Ferris, Mr. Tedford, Miss Patton, Dr. Wanless, Mr. and Mrs. Hannum, Mr. Simonson and Miss Brown present. Mrs. Tedford was absent in America or on the way to the Mission-field; Mr. and Mrs. Jolly in America; Misses Sherman and Winter on the way thither; Mrs. Wanless on account of sickness; and Mr. and Miss Irwin on account of Mission work at Kolhàpur. Mrs. and Miss Wilder and Misses Jefferson and Minor came in later.

Mrs. Goheen presented the Report of the Committee of Arrangements, thus:

Your Committee on Arrangements beg to report that they have made the best accommodation for the entertainment of the members of the Mission that they could, and that the members of the Mission are now located in the quarters provided.

Your Committee would respectfully recommend that the regular business sessions of the Mission begin on Saturday 20th October and that there be held regular sessions from 10 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. with intermission from 12:30 to 2:30, the session each day being opened with devotional exercises during the first half-hour, led by the male members of the Mission in the order of seniority in the Mission.

Your Committee would beg leave to recommend also that the following program of religious services be followed:

Oct. 18, 8 P.M. Annual sermon by Rev. L. B. Tedford at Mission Bungalow No. 1 (No business following.)

Oct. 19. Day of Special Prayer

10:30 A.M. Prayer Meeting led by Rev. J. P. Graham, Subject being, "God's Way to Blessing."

2:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting. Leader, Rev. J. M. Goheen, Subject, "Obstacles in Ourselves."

8 P.M. Prayer Meeting. Mrs. G. H. Ferris. Subject, "The Prayer of the Righteous."

Oct. 21. 11:30 A.M. Prayer Meeting. Leader, Dr. Wanless, Subject, "Sanctification through the Word."

8 P.M. Prayer Meeting. Leader, Rev. W. H. Hannum, Subject, "Christian Faithfulness."

Oct. 23. 8 P.M. Leader, Rev. J. M. Irwin, Subject "God's Times."

Oct. 25. 8 P.M. Prayer Meeting. Leader, Rev. G. H. Simonson. Subject, "God's Plan for Fruit-bearing."

Oct. 27. 8 P.M. Prayer Meeting. Leader, Miss Emily T. Minor. Subject, "Spiritual Growth and its Evidences."

Oct. 28. immediately after the Marathi service which begins at 4 P.M. Communion Service, Rev. J. P. Graham to distribute the Bread, and Rev. G. H. Simonson the Cup.

8 P.M. Prayer Meeting. Leader, Miss G. E. Wilder. Subject, "The Gift of the Fulness of the Spirit."

Oct. 29. 8 P.M. Prayer Meeting. Leader, Rev. L. B. Tedford, Subject, "The Christlike Character."

All these meetings unless otherwise specially arranged at the time are to be held in Mission Bungalow No. 1 and in English.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. M. Goheen,
J. M. Irwin,
Committee of Arrangements.

On motion the Report was adopted.

The Annual *Sermon* was preached by Mr. Tedford from I Corinthians 9:22 "To the weak became I as weak that I might gain the weak: I am made all things to all men that I might by all means save some;" and from Proverbs 11:30 "And he that is wise winneth souls."

The Session *adjourned* with the benediction by President Graham.

Second Session.

The Second Session met at 10:05 a.m., 20 October 1894. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Graham. Members were present as at the First Session, and Mr. and Miss Irwin were present.

The *Minutes* of the First Session were read and corrected. The Minutes of the Twenty-first Annual Meeting were read.

The President presented his *Report* of Circular Business, as follows: The following motions arranged in chronological order were carried, except as otherwise stated:

J. P. Graham,
President.

Moved: That house-room be granted temporarily to Misses Green and Unsworth in the house rented at Ratnágiri free of any charge against the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission.

Ratnágiri Jan. 6, 1894.

Moved: That Dr. Winter be permitted to spend the hot season at Mahábleshvar.

Miraj Feb. 10, 1894.

Moved: That Mrs. Wanless be permitted to spend the hot season at Mahábleshvar.

Miraj Feb. 10, 1894.

Moved: That Mrs. and Miss Wilder be allowed to spend the hot season at Mussoorie, all expenses to be met by themselves.

Kolhapur Feb 27, 1894.

Moved: That W. J. Wanless, M.D. be appointed to fill vacancy on the Building Committee caused by the death of Rev. G. H. Ferris.

Kolhapur Mar. 9, 1894.

As the office is left vacant by the death of Rev. G. H. Ferris, Moved: That Rev. J. P. Graham be elected Treasurer.

Kolhapur Mar. 9, 1894.

Moved: That L. B. Tedford be authorized to spend April and May at Mahábleshvar.

Miraj Mar. 12, 1894.

Moved: That Miss Brown be

allowed to spend April and May at Panhálei.

Sangli Mar. 23, 1894.

Moved: That Miss Sherman be allowed to spend April and May at Mahàbleshvar.

Sangli Mar. 23, 1894.

Moved: That we approve the position taken by Mr. Irwin in declining to close the Mission High School during the Holi Festival.

Kolhapur Mar. 24, 1894.

Moved: That Mr. and Miss Irwin be permitted to spend the last half of the hot season at Mahàbleshvar.

Panhàḷei Mar. 27, 1894.

Moved: That the allowance of Ánandrao Lakśhmaṇa Padaghalamala, teacher in the Mission High School at Kolhapur be increased to rupees twelve per mensem.

Kolhapur, April 2, 1894.

Moved: That Mr. Simonson and Dr. Wanless be authorized to spend the month of May at Mahàbleshvar.

April 13, 1894.

Moved: That Mr. Graham be authorized to ask the Board to sanction the purchase of magic lantern slides for the Sangli

Station with the proceeds of the sale of the benches made in the work-shop of the Boys' Boarding School and the extra forge.

May 7, 1894.

Moved: That as respects house-rent and allowance for confinement of his wife, Ánandrâo L. Paḍaghalamala be considered as under the ordinary Mission rules for helpers as long as he is in his present pay, this to take effect for the year closed.

Mahâbleshvar, May 7, 1894.

Dr. Wanless having advised it, Moved: That Mrs. Ferris and her daughter be authorized to spend the remainder of the hot season at Mahâbleshvar.

Panhâḷâ May 13, 1894.

Moved: That Dr. Wilder be permitted to spend the rainy season at Sangli till Mission Meeting.

May 14, 1894.

Whereas, Mr. Phudke of Ratnâgiri cashed a cheque for Mr. Hannum in June 1893 for rupees 900, said cheque being drawn in Mr. Hannum's favor on our bankers by the Mission Treasurer, and whereas, Mr. Phudke lost the cheque and it has never been found, Moved: That in our opinion Mr. Hannum should pay Mr. Phudke the rupees 900 by a duplicate cheque drawn by the Treasurer, and to secure the Mission against possible loss take a bond from Mr. Phudke to reimburse him in the sum of rupees 900 in case both the original cheque and the duplicate should be paid by our bank.

Sángli, May 17, 1894.

Moved: That Mrs. Ferris be permitted to spend the rainy season at Kolhapur.

May 24, 1894.

Moved: That a qualified native nurse be employed in the Miraj Hospital from July 1, 1894 on pay not to exceed rupees 25 *per mensem* this to be paid out of the present appropriation for the Miraj medical work.

Miraj, June 8, 1894.

Moved: That the following transfers be made in the appropriations for the Panhálá Station; viz:

Contra Manual.	From Class I	to Class IX	Rupees 100	C
	" " IV	" " VI	" 200	
	" " IV	" " IX	" 200	
	" " VII	" " IX	" 100	

Kolhapur June 16, 1894.

Moved: That a conference to promote spiritual life and aggressive work be held at Panhâla beginning Tuesday morning October 16, 1894, the needs both of the missionaries and of the Indian agents to be considered, and the programme to be made out by the Committee of Arrangements and to be reported by circular previous to the conference.

Ratnâgiri June, 18, 1894.

Moved: That the motion be referred to the Committee of Arrangements. Carried

Ratnâgiri July 5, 1894.

Moved: That Mr. Samuel Peter be employed as a catechist in Ratnâgiri for rupees 15 per month *without allowances*, to take C effect from June 1 to November 1, 1894.

Ratnâgiri, July 24, 1894.

Moved: That the motion concerning the employment of Samuel Peter at rupees 15 *per mensem* be laid on the table until the next Mission Meeting. Carried.

July 31, 1894.

Moved: That a pupil dismissed from or leaving the Boys' Boarding School without a certificate shall not be employed as a mission agent without Mission action

Sangli Aug 3. 1894.

In view of the urgent need of a suitably trained person to superintend the nursing and woman's work in the Miraj Hospital, Resolved: That Dr. Wanless be authorized to write to the Board asking that rupees 900 ($300) granted this year in the Panhāla station under Class VIII for Islampur land, teacher's house and school, be transferred to Class II in the Miraj appropriations in order that an Anglo-Indian trained nurse be secured for the present until a more suitable trained lady can be sent out from America or gotten in this country. Carried.

Aug 6, 1894.

Moved: That the motion concerning pupils dismissed from or leaving the Boys' Boarding School be amended to read thus: Moved: That a student or teacher leaving any Mission School without a proper certificate shall not be received into another Mission school or employed by the Mission as an agent without special motion; and also that a helper dismissed without satisfactory certificate or a Christian under discipline of the Church shall not be employed as a Mission agent nor continued in Mission service without special motion. Carried.

Aug 25, 1894.

The motion as amended was carried.

Moved: That Dr. Winter be permitted to return to America without delay owing to the critical state of her health.

Sāngli Aug. 29, 1894.

As Dr. Wanless is of the opinion that it is not safe for Dr. Winter to make the journey to America alone; Moved: That Miss Sherman be granted leave now (two years before her full term) in order that she may accompany Dr. Winter.

Sāngli Aug. 29, 1894.

Moved: That the Secretary be instructed to invite Misses Unsworth &d Green to attend the sessions of this Meeting. Carried.

Reports of Stations were called. Mr. Goheen read the Report of Kolhapur Station.

After Intermission Miss Jefferson read the Report of Ratnāgiri Station, Mrs. Ferris that of Panhāla, Mr. Graham that of Sāngli, &d Dr. Wanless that of Miraj.

Moved: That the Report of Stations as read be approved. Carried.

Personal Reports were called. Mr. Goheen and Mrs. Wilder read their reports. Mrs. Goheen made an oral report. Miss Patton read her report.

Adjourned with prayer by Dr. Wanless.

Third Session

The Third Session met at 10 A.M. 22 October 1894. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Goheen. Members were present as at the Second Session. The Minutes of the Second Session were read and corrected.

Personal Reports were resumed. Mr. Irwin, Mrs. Irwin, Miss Wilder, Mr. Hannum, Mrs. Hannum, Miss Minor, Miss Jefferson, Mrs. Ferris, Mrs. Graham, Miss Brown, Mr. Graham, Mr. Tedford, Dr. Wanless and Mr. Simonson read their reports. Mr. Hannum read reports of Misses Unsworth and Green. Mr. Goheen read a report from Rev. Śivaráma Masoji, Pastor of the Church at Kolhapur.

On motion the Personal Reports were approved as read.

After Intermission, Moved: That a Committee of three, viz. Messrs. Graham and Hannum and Miss Patton be appointed to revise the Constitution of the Mission in accordance with the revised Manual, to report before the end of this Annual Meeting. Carried.

Statistical Reports of Stations were called.

Mrs Ferris read that for Panhàla Station. On motion it was approved.

Reports of Committees were called. Mr Goheen presented the Report of the Auditing Committee, thus: The Auditing Committee beg to report that they examined the Treasurer's Report for the Year ending April 30, 1894, and found it correct. As Mr. Graham was elected Treasurer since last Annual Meeting, Dr. Wanless filled his place on the Auditing Committee.

J. M. Goheen.
J. P. Graham.

On motion the Report was accepted.

Mrs. Ferris presented the Report of the Publishing Committee thus: Your Publishing Committee begs to report that it has followed the instructions received at the last Annual Meeting and has had 100 copies of the Rules for Girls' Vernacular Schools printed at a cost of Rs 8.8.6, with extra charge of annas 4 for postage and commission; also 500 copies of an Elementary Geography for use in oral instruction at a cost of Rs 15, making a total expenditure of Rs 23.12.6 for the two.

Respectfully Submitted.
L. H. Ferris.
William H. Hannum.

On motion the Report was accepted.

Mr Graham presented the Report of the Building Committee, thus: The Building Committee respectfully beg to report, first, that early in the year an appropriation of $5000 was made by the Board for the purchase of a sanitarium at Mahábleshvar and we have purchased Mount Douglas, a large bungalow containing four suites of rooms. Mount Douglas will require extensive repairs, but when they are made, we will have an excellent building on one of the best sites at this famous health resort. We report, second, that the Hospital at Miraj is completed, giving us a building that for comfort, convenience and adaptedness to the object for which it was erected is unsurpassed in this part of India. Dr. Wanless deserves great credit for the thoroughness and energy with which he has put this work through in the midst of other duties requiring much time and attention.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. P. Graham, Chairman,
In behalf of the Building Committee.

On motion the Report was accepted.

Mr. Graham presented the Report of the

Committee on Theological Class, thus: The death of Brother Ferris at the beginning of the hot season, which is the regular term-time for the Theological Class left me alone on this Committee. I succeeded Mr. Ferris in the office of Treasurer shortly before the close of the financial year when the accounts for the preceding twelve months had to be settled in order to make out the annual statements for the Treasurer of the Board. The negotiations in reference to Mount Douglas had become complicated on account of alleged defects in the title to the property pointed out by our legal counsel making necessary an extended official correspondence and several trips to Bombay before the purchase could be completed. These matters with others that were also urgent and could not be delayed made it impossible for me to take charge of the Theological Class and as there seemed to be no ? one else whose circumstances admitted of his undertaking the responsibility the class had to be given up.

Respectfully Submitted
J. P. Graham.

On motion the Report was accepted.

Miss Wilder presented the Report of the Committee on Examination of Girls' Boarding School thus: Your Committee beg leave to report that they visited the School on the 6th and 16th of August and also a part of the Committee on the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 8th and 9th of October at the time of the annual examination. They found the School in general good order. On the 6th and 16th of August we attended some ten classes during their regular recitations, inspected the dormitory, examined the records and considered carefully the plan of study. Your Committee were well pleased with the accuracy and neatness of the records, with the plan of work in both school and house, and with some of the recitations of the 2nd, 3rd and 6th Standards. At the time of our visits in October, at the annual examination Your Committee assisted in the examination of the School in religious subjects. We were pleased in general with the results especially with the rote-work. Your Committee would recommend; First, that since there are six standards taught at present in only two rooms and two verandas, and thirty girls sleeping in three small rooms; they be provided with fuller accommodation with a view to the better health of the pupils and increased efficiency in the work of the School. Second; That a competent Christian teacher be secured as soon as possible. Third; That more effort be made to secure animation in teaching and recitation; Fourth, That in order to more faithful study by the pupils, daily recitation marks be given; Fifth, That the pupils be required to give explanation of what they study and commit; and if necessary to this end, that the subject-matter of study in the lower standards be somewhat simplified.

G. E. Wilder,
J. M. Irwin, Committee.

On motion the Report was accepted.

Mr. Hannum presented the Report of the Committee on Examination of Boys' Boarding School. On motion the Report was received and made the order for the next day at 10:30 a.m.

Mr. Hannum presented the Report of the Committee on Examination of the High School. On motion the Report was received and made the order for the next day at 2:30 P.M.

President Graham presented the Report on Correspondence concerning the return of Mr. and Mrs. Seiler, thus: In accordance with the instructions of the Mission at the last Annual Meeting I wrote to the Board in reference to the re-appointment of Mr. and Mrs. Seiler as missionaries in our Mission field. No formal answer has been received but the letters of the executive officers of the Board indicate a purpose on their part to re-appoint Mr. and Mrs. Seiler when they are willing and ready to come back.

Respectfully Submitted
J. P. Graham.

On motion the Report was accepted.

On motion the motion concerning the appointment of Samuel Peter as a catechist was taken from the table and considered.

Moved: That a committee of three be appointed by the Chair to formulate a revised standard and scale of pay for Mission agents, and that the motion concerning Samuel Peter be referred to this Committee; the committee to report on Friday the 26th October at 10:30 a.m. Carried. The President appointed Dr. Wanless, Mr. Hannum and Mrs. Goheen.

Mrs. Ferris presented a petition from certain Christians at Kodoli concerning instruction in English in schools of the Mission.

adjourned with prayer by Mr. Simpson.

Fourth Session.

The Fourth Session met at 10 A.M. 23rd October, 1894. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Simonson. Members were present as at the Third Session. The Minutes of the Third Session were read.

The Order of the Day, the Report of the Committee on Examination of the Boys' Boarding School was taken up. It was as follows: Your Committee on Examination of the Christian Boys' Boarding School would respectfully report that the Committee has endeavored to carry out as completely as possible the Mission's rule concerning the examination of this School. Accordingly a visit was made to the School on 19th February last to obtain general information as to its condition and progress. It was the expectation of the Committee to make another visit shortly before the Annual Meeting at the time of a regular examination of the School, but owing to uncertainty as to when such an examination would occur the intention was abandoned. Hence the Committee can say but little as to the pupils' progress in studies and must confine its report chiefly to the general condition of the School. So far as was observed the pupils were being well instructed both in religious and in secular branches. Of the former the Committee attended classes in Genesis under Miss Sherman's instruction and in Catechism under Haribā's instruction and was well pleased with both classes. Your Committee would commend the management of the School as shown by the apparent general health, cleanliness and good behavior of the pupils. The buildings were clean and the food and clothing supplied were abundant.

Your Committee would, as results of its examination respectfully make the following recommendations.

First: That the School be so modified as to form an orphanage or home for the support and Christian training of homeless and indigent boys regardless of their previous religious connection. The purposes in this are, first, that provision may be made for boys heretofore excluded because of early age or other reasons, and, secondly, that better hygienic and moral conditions may be secured by the separation of some at least of the little boys from the big ones.

Second: That a committee of two be appointed to consider the relation between the Mission's agents and the Boarding Schools to report at this

Annual Meeting. Such consideration seems necessary from the discontent of some of the agents with the present regulations as to attendance of their children and as to children's allowances, and from the suggestions heard in several quarters that fees should be charged in the Boarding Schools.

Third: That the Principal of the School be directed to present to the School Inspecting Committee an annual detailed statement of the course of instruction arranged by standards or years; the daily or weekly programme; and the rules of the School as to entrance, promotion, withdrawal, rewards and punishments, and showing methods of instruction and of financial management. The object of this is to make this information accessible to all the Mission.

Fourth: That a course of Bible Study with a distinct class for each standard be formed and be made a part of the general course of instruction.

Fifth; That the Industrial Department be put in operation as early as possible by employing a suitable Indian or other mechanic as a foreman to serve under the supervision of the Principal.

Sixth: That the force of teachers be enlarged, especially by the employment of a Christian man C qualified to serve as a head-master or as a teacher of the higher classes.

Seventh: That the duties of inspection of the Boarding Schools and the High School of the Mission be entrusted to one Committee on all the Mission's schools instead of to three Committees as heretofore thus securing increased unity in the educational work and obviating the multiplication of committees of the Mission.

Respectfully Submitted,
Esther Patton, William H. Hannum,
Committee.

On motion the Report was considered seriatim. Moved: That the first recommendation of the Committee on the Boys' Boarding School be referred to a committee consisting of the Locating Committee and Mrs. Ferris. Carried.

On motion the Second Recommendation was referred to the Committee on Standard and Scale of Pay for Mission Agents.

Moved: That the Third Recommendation be adopted and made applicable to the two Boarding Schools and the High School. Carried.

The Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Recommendations were on motion successively adopted.

After Intermission the Order of the Day, the Report of the Committee on Examination of the High School, was taken up. The Report was as follows: Your Committee on the Examination of the High School would respectfully report that a visit was made to the School in February last, in which recitations were heard in Biblical and other subjects and consultation was had with the Principal, and with some of the teachers. Your Committee would commend the School for orderly and faithful work and for evident success in the instruction of the pupils The most important changes needed seem to be: First, a new building affording more room and conveniences and insuring permanence. To this end it is strongly recommended that the Mission should continue to make estimates to the Board for land for this purpose. Second: an extension of the course of Bible Study by the introduction of one hour additional a week in each Standard, displacing an equivalent amount of English Prose or Poetry. Your Committee would recommend that the Principal be instructed to make this extension as early as practicable. Third: an increase in the corps of teachers, chiefly by securing Christians, and the displacement of Hindu teachers with Christians. Your Committee would recommend that the Principal be directed to continue his efforts to these ends, and if possible to secure a Christian fitted to serve as a head-master.

Your Committee would also recommend that the Mission request in estimates for the Kolhapur Station a grant from the Board sufficient to cover all the expenses of the High School, and thus do away with the grant-in-aid from the State Government. The following words have been adopted by our last General Assembly, "This Assembly does hereby protest most earnestly against any donation of national, state or municipal funds for ecclesiastical uses by whomsoever sought or upon whatsoever pretext."

We recommend also that instead of having three separate committees to inspect the High School and the Christian Boys' and Girls' Boarding Schools as heretofore, these duties be assigned to the Visiting Committee.

Respectfully Submitted
J. M. Goheen, William H. Hannum,
Committee.

On motion the Report was taken up item by item. The First Recommendation was on motion adopted.

Acted upon, Jan. 4, '95 Moved: That in pursuance of the recommendation of the Committee on Inspection of the High School, the Mission request the Board to grant permission to Mr. Irwin to apply to individuals for funds to enable them to grant the appropriation asked. Carried.

The Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Recommendations were on motions successively adopted.

Moved: That the Committee on Theological Class be discharged and that the Presbytery of Kolhápur be requested to take up that work. Carried.

Mr. Graham presented the Report of the Examining Committee, thus: The Committee on the Examination of missionaries in the Maráthi Language respectfully begs to report that Miss Jefferson appeared before the Committee on April 4th and passed her final examination; also that on the 18th October Mr. Simonson and Miss Brown of our own Mission, and on the 19th October Miss Unsworth and Miss Green of the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission passed the preliminary examination required within the first year after joining the Mission

Respectfully Submitted,
J. P. Graham, Esther Patton.

On motion the Report was accepted.

Adjourned with Prayer by Mr Irwin.

Fifth Session.

The Fifth Session met at 10 A.M. 24 October 1894. Devotional exercises were led by Dr. Wanless. Members were present as at the Fourth Session. The Minutes of the Fourth Session were read.

The Order of the Day, the Report of the Committee on Orphanage was called. The Committee was not ready to report.

Mr. Graham presented the Report of the Locating Committee, thus: The Locating Committee respectfully beg to make the following recommendations

1 That Mrs. Ferris be transferred to Kolhapur and associated with Miss Patton in her work,

2 That Mr. and Mrs. Tedford be located at Panhàḷà and Mr. Tedford placed in charge of the Panhàḷà field. We would urge upon him the necessity of developing the interesting work of the Koḍoḷí District.

3 That Mr. Hannum be placed in charge

of the Ratnágiri Station.

4 That Mr. Wilson be located at Ratnágiri Station from the time of his arrival in India.

5 That Haribá Umáji, if willing, be transferred from Sangli to Ratnágiri to work as a catechist under charge of Mr. Hannum; and as no Bible woman can be spared from the work in another station, we recommend that the missionaries at Ratnágiri endeavor to secure one from outside our Mission field

Respectfully Submitted
J. P. Graham.
Chairman of Committee.

On motion the Report was accepted.

Mrs. Ferris presented the Report of the Committee on Correspondence on Conventions (or Melá) thus: The Committee on Correspondence with other Missions to ascertain the common custom among them of paying or not paying the expenses of helpers to the annual "melá" or conference if there be such, would report that letters from the Ludhiána Mission say that there is no "melá" and that it cannot be a permanent thing unless the Mission does pay the expenses

There is no "melá" in the Farakhabad Mission though an occasional one has been held and Dr. Lucas writes that he believes the money is well expended that is used for such a thing. This year they plan a "melá" at Ludhiáná in connection with Synod, and he writes, "the native delegates to Synod will have their expenses paid. In addition our Mission - Farakhabad - has announced to our native preachers of all grades that if they will pay three rupees each toward their traveling expenses to Ludhiáná we will pay the rest." The custom prevailed in the American Maráthi Mission of paying the expenses of their helpers once in three years, said helpers attending alternately. I understand that as a Mission they do not do so now. In the Canadian Mission a "melá" is advocated, but the missionaries are not agreed and so some missionaries pay and others do not for their helpers. I think not the Mission. Acting on a suggestion from Dr. Lucas, I wrote to Lucknow to Rev. [illegible] Parker and make his reply a part of this report as I think some of the suggestions can well be acted upon.

Your Committee would suggest -

First, a continuation of encouragement

to the native Christians to have a "Meḷá"

Second; that the Mission still refuse to pay their expenses. C

Respectfully Submitted,
L. H. Ferris.

On motion the Report was accepted.

Mrs. Ferris presented an oral financial statement concerning the newspaper, "Indian Notes".

Mrs. Ferris presented a petition from Taiàpà Gàiakavàḍa concerning promotion in service. On motion he was advised to present his petition to the missionary in charge of the field.

After Intermission, Mr. Hannum presented the Report of the Committee on Titles, thus: Your Committee appointed to examine the present status of titles of the Mission property and to see what measures, if any, are necessary for securing the same to the Board, begs to report as follows:

The Committee met and appointed its Chairman, Mr. Ferris, to consult with and secure the opinion of a competent lawyer in Bombay and to correspond or consult with other Missions in this Presidency regarding their methods of holding property with the result that before his death Mr. Ferris secured the opinion of the Hon. Basil Lang, Advocate-General, and some information from the American Maráṭhi Mission. The opinion of Mr. Lang recommending the acquisition and holding of property directly by the Board through power of attorney was considered and forwarded to the Board as the measure most desirable to adopt with reference to property in our own Mission. We learn from the Mission Treasurer that he is informed by the Treasurer of the Board that this opinion is approved by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,
W. J. Wanless, William H. Hannum,
Committee.

On *motion* the Report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Moved: That in order to provide a necessary for the High School, the Principal be authorized to increase the rent paid to thirty rupees *per mensem*, if it cannot be otherwise arranged; and that he be authorized to take a two years' lease of the building. Carried.

Moved: That in order to complete the furnishing of the School in the lower standards with writing-desks and cloth slating for blackboards rupees 300 be placed in the estimates.

On motion the motion was deferred till the time of estimates.

Gtd. Board Jan. 7, '95 In view of the desirability of extending Gospel preaching in this part of India by the aid of the medical mission and with this for its object; Resolved: That the Mission approve Dr. Wanless's effort to establish in connection with the Miraj Hospital a class for the training of medical catechists; the class to be accommodated in the present Hospital buildings and to be conducted by the physician in charge of the Hospital assisted by an ordained missionary in the station and the medical assistants; this class to be established primarily for the education in this department of suitable Christian candidates in our own Mission and secondarily Christian young men from other missions in this Presidency; and that the Mission request the Board to authorize Dr. Wanless to interest personal friends in America in this project with a view to the securing of scholarships for students of our own Mission only; and that we place the amount of such scholarships in the Mission's estimates of this year. Carried

The President presented a petition from Mr. N. D. Naudgaukara teacher in the High School, for increase of pay. Moved: That the Principal of the High School be instructed to inform Mr. N. D. Naudgaukara in reply to his petition that the Mission does not see its way clear to grant it. Carried.

Mr. Irwin presented a similar petition from Mr. A. H. Pitre, teacher in the High School. On motion the Principal was instructed to inform him that the Mission does not see its way clear to grant his petition.

Moved: That Mrs. Ferris, her daughter and Miss Patton be allowed to spend the hot season of 1895 at Mahábleshwar and if necessary rupees 400 from Class IX Panhála appropriations be used for expenses incurred. Carried.

Moved: That when we do adjourn we adjourn to meet on 26th inst at 10 a.m. on account of the meeting of the Presbytery of Kolhápur. Carried.

Jan 21, '95 Board Ap., Owing to Mrs. Wanless's continued ill health, Moved: That the Board be requested to authorize Dr. Wanless to return with his family to America in the coming Spring in case Mrs. Wanless's poor health continues. Carried.

Mr. Goheen presented a statistical Report for Kolhàpur Station. On motion it was approved.

Moved: That Mr. and Mrs. Graham and Miss. Brown be allowed to spend the next hot season at Mahàbleshwar. Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Tedford.

Sixth Session.

The Sixth Session met at 10 A.M. 26 October 1894. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Hannum; Members were present as at the Fifth Session. The Minutes of the Fifth Session were read.

The Order of the Day, the Report of the Committee on Standard and Scale of Pay for Mission Agents was called: Dr. Wanless presented the Report, thus: Your Committee appointed to formulate a revised standard and scale of pay for Mission Agents respectfully begs to make the following recommendations:

1st That our Indian Christian Agents be classified as preachers, teachers, medical assistants and Bible women.

2nd That the Mission adopt for the employment of its agents a graded scale of pay according to a prepared standard of qualifications.

3rd That a committee consisting of Messrs. Graham and Hannum and Mrs. Goheen be appointed to prepare and to submit to the next Annual Meeting, such a graded scale, which should include at least four grades in each of our different classes of agents; viz. Preachers, Teachers, Medical Assistants and Bible women.

4th That in addition to the pay adopted in the different grades the following allowances only be granted: a, Children's allowance; b, Allowance for traveling authorized by the Mission; c, Allowance for living in the Konkana.

5th That in accordance with paragraph 38 of the Manual and recommendations 2 and 3 of this Report the duty of determining the religious knowledge and spiritual fitness of candidates for Mission service and promotion in such service, except in case of women, be committed to the Presbytery.

6th That Mission agents whose children attend our Boarding Schools be granted the children's allowance during school vacations.

7th That with reference to the question of fees being charged in our Boarding Schools no action be taken at present.

8th That Samuel Peter be granted an allowance of rupees 18 *per mensem* from the 1st June 1894 to the 1st November 1895.

Respectfully Submitted.
W. J. Wanless, William H. Hannum,
A. M. Gohen Committee.

On motion the Report was accepted.

After Intermission Mrs. Ferris presented a petition from Bāijībā Thākura on the expense of putting a pump in the well of Panhāḷa. On motion the petition was referred to the member in charge of the Station for disposal.

Mr. Graham presented the Report of the Committee on Orphanage, thus: The Committee to which was referred the first recommendation in the report of the Committee on Examination of the Christian Boys' Boarding School respectfully begs to report as follows:

Whereas, we regard this school as a part of our work that is of vital importance to the future stability and growth of our native Church and Christian community and we should be sorry to see it modified to secure any object, however desirable in itself, that would impair its efficiency for accomplishing the end for which it was established; and

Whereas, to secure better hygienic conditions and increased facilities in teaching there is great-

and urgent need of additional accommodation both in the dormitory and school room (it is now necessary that some of the boys sleep outside the dormitory and that recitations be conducted in both verandahs of the school-house, and in the verandah and one room of the missionaries' residence), and

Whereas: There is a first-class workshop well stocked with machines and tools standing unused for want of a properly qualified man to superintend industrial training,

We respectfully make the following recommendations

1 That the Mission disapprove of the School being so modified as to form an orphanage or home for the support and training of homeless and indigent boys.

2 That a Committee consisting of Mrs. C
? Goheen, Mrs. Ferris and Miss. Patton be appointed to consider the desirability of opening such a home as a separate institution, this Committee to report at the next Annual Meeting.

3 That we ask the Board for an appropriation to put up an addition to the school-house and another dormitory and that we give the estimate for this object the first place in our requests for new property.

4 That, in view of the Board's expressed purpose to send out a man to take charge of the industrial work as soon as a properly qualified man be found, a request for an appropriation to build a bungalow be put in this year's estimates.

Respectfully Submitted.
J. P. Graham, J. M. Goheen, L. B. Ledford,
L. H. Ferris, W. J. Wanless,
Committee.

On motion the latter clause of the third and the fourth recommendation were deferred till the time of making estimates, and the remaining recommendations were adopted.

Mr. Ledford presented a Statistical Report for Ratnagiri Station. On motion it was approved.

Moved: That Mr. Goheen and family and Mr. Hannum and family be permitted to spend the next hot season at Panhala in order that they may do the work of the Theological Class, as assigned by the Presbytery. Carried.

Moved: That the Mission extend the right of voting on all questions to the women of the Mission. Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Dr. Wanless.

Seventh Session.

The Seventh Session met at 10 A.M. 27 October 1894. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Irwin. Members were present as at the Sixth Session except Mrs. Goheen and Mrs. Hannum. The Minutes of the Sixth Session were read.

M.A. The Treasurer presented a Report of rules for Station Treasurers, as follows:

1 The Treasurer of each Station shall keep the funds remitted to him by the Mission Treasurer in a bank, approved by the Mission; and shall distribute them among the members respectively for the authorized work under their supervision, according to the appropriations.

2. He shall collect from the members of the Station any revenue derived from such sources as Government Grants, tuition fees, medical fees, sale of books, sale of Mission property etc., and report the same to the Treasurer of the Mission in the last month of each quarter, viz. in July, October, January and April.

3. He shall advise the Mission Treasurer at least one week before the first day of each month as to the amount needed for the current expenses of the Station in that month.

4. He shall keep in official books clear and correct accounts of all receipts and payments and have vouchers for the latter. These books shall be the property of the Mission and be open to the inspection of any member of the Mission at any reasonable time.

5. On the first of May or as soon after as possible he shall hand to the Mission Treasurer on the printed form received from him a detailed statement of all the expenditures of his station for the preceding year; also similar detailed statements on the same forms from the members respectively The statements of the members shall be accompanied by vouchers so far as necessary to a clear and full understanding of the separate charges contained in them. These statements, when audited by the Committee of the Mission, shall be returned to the Station Treasurer and entered in his books, after which the books shall be examined by the Auditing Committee of the Station

Respectfully Submitted,
J. P. Graham, Mission Treasurer

On motion the Report was accepted and considered seriatim. On motion it was adopted.

Moved: That the Mission approve the National

Bank of India as a place of deposit for Mission funds in the hands of the Mission Treasurer; and William Watson & Co. and the Agra Bank, Limited, Bombay Branch, for Mission funds in the hands of the Station Treasurers. Carried.

Moved: That in order to enable Mr Irwin to attend the meeting of the Synod of India, he be authorized to employ a substitute so far as necessary, while absent in North India. Carried.

Moved: That the sum of rupees ten per C
mensem be granted to the Áyalávádi Church another year toward the salary of the pastor. Carried.

Moved: That the Secretary be directed to C
recommend a telegraph code. Carried.

Moved: That we adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. 29th inst. Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Tedford.

The Lord's Supper was celebrated on Sabbath, 28th Octbr 1894, at 4 P.M., Mr. Graham distributing the bread and Mr. Simonson the cup.

Eighth Session.

The Eighth Session met at 10 a.m. 29th October 1894. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Tedford. Members were present as at the Sixth Session. The Minutes of the Seventh Session were read.

Mr. Graham presented the statistical Report of Sāngli Station. On motion it was approved.

? Moved: That the present system of daily records of the Mission's agents be discontinued. Carried

Done Bo Jan 7, '95 Moved: That the Board be requested to give for the sanitarium at Mahābleshvara the furniture turned over to the Mission Treasurer by Dr. Winter. Carried.

Moved: That we take recess till 2:30 P.M. Carried.

After recess Mr. Hannum presented the Report of the Committee on Revision of the Constitution. On motion it was considered seriatim. The consideration was continued through the third section of the fourth article of the proposed revised Constitution.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Goheen

Ninth Session.

The Ninth Session met at 10 A.M. 30 October 1894. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Graham. Members were present as at the Eighth Session. The Minutes of the Eighth Session were read.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Revision of the Constitution was resumed: The Report was as follows:

Your Committee on Revision of the Constitution would recommend

1st That the Constitution be revised to read as follows:

Article I Name.

Section I. The Mission under the direction of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, in the southern part of the Bombay Presidency, India, shall be known as the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India.

Section 2. The Manual of the Board shall be the supreme law of the Mission, and no provision of this Constitution shall be so construed as to conflict therewith.

Article II Officers.

Section 1. The Officers of the Mission shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer to be chosen at each Annual Meeting; and an Auditing Committee, a Publishing Committee, an Examining Committee, a School Committee, and a Committee of Arrangements. Each of these committees shall consist of two members, one member to be chosen at each Annual Meeting to serve two years. There shall be also a Property Committee of three, one member to be chosen at each Annual Meeting, to serve three years; and a Locating Committee to consist of the Secretaries in charge of the Stations.

Section 2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Mission and keep record of all secular business.

Section 3. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of each meeting, forward a copy of them to the Board, and keep files of all official correspondence open to the inspection of any member of the Mission.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall have control of the funds of the Mission, as required in the Board's Manual.

Section 5. The Auditing Committee shall carefully examine all accounts of the members and Treasurer, submit any doubtful or unauthorized charges for a vote of the Mission, and, when satisfied the accounts are correct certify the same.

Section 6. The Publishing Committee shall have in charge all publication as ordered by the Mission.

Section 7. The Examining Committee shall inform all new missionaries of the Course of Study in the Marāthi Language; shall examine such members of the Mission as may present themselves; and shall report at the next Annual Meeting whether they have passed, and if a candidate has not presented himself in the required time what excuse has been given.

Section 8. The School Committee shall inspect all the colleges, high-schools and boarding schools of the Mission, and vernacular schools as far as practicable; and shall report the condition and needs thereof at each Annual Meeting.

Section 9. The Committee of Arrangements shall arrange all sessions and religious services of the Meetings of the Mission, and shall secure and assign lodgings for all members during such Meetings.

Section 10. The Property Committee shall determine the location and supervise the erection of all buildings; and no building shall be erected or altered until the plan thereof has been approved by this Committee.

Section 11. The Locating Committee shall make a report at each Annual Meeting recommending such location or transfer of missionaries and agents as may be deemed desirable.

Article III Stations

Section 1. Each Station shall, within a month before each Annual Meeting of the Mission, hold a meeting for the adoption of the station's Report both statistical and general (for the year ending 30th September), and of the estimates to be presented to the Mission, for the election of officers and for consideration of the general work of the Station and of the Mission. Special meetings may be held at the call of the Secretary of the Station. The votes of a majority of the missionaries shall be necessary to the adoption of any measure. All acts of the Station shall from the next Annual Meeting of the Mission, be considered valid only by a vote of approval of the Mission

Section 2. The Officers of each Station shall be a Secretary, a Treasurer and an Auditing Committee. to be chosen by the Station in the same manner as the corresponding officers of the Mission, and to discharge similar duties.

Section 3. The Secretary shall preside at all meetings, and keep a permanent record of all acts of the same and present them at the Annual Meeting of the Mission; and shall exercise a general oversight and advisory power over all the work of the station authorized by the station or by the Mission.

Article IV Meetings.

Section 1. The Annual Meeting shall convene at Panhála at 8 P.M. on the first Thursday after the 15th of October. The ordained missionaries shall preach by turns in the order of seniority in the Mission, one at each Annual Meeting. The Lord's Supper shall be celebrated at every Annual Meeting.

Section 2. The Order of Business shall be, as near as practicable the following:

Roll-call
Report of Committee of Arrangements

Reading of Minutes of last Meeting
Report of Business transacted by circular
Reports of Stations
Reports of Missionaries
Reports of Committees
Miscellaneous Business
Estimates
Election of Officers

Section 3. At every Annual Meeting the Secretary of each Station shall read a full detailed report of the work of his station, and each missionary a brief personal report of his own work. Unless otherwise ordered by the Mission, these reports as read shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the Board, in charge of the correspondence, by the Secretaries of the stations.

Section 4 1st. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

2nd. The President shall have a vote on all questions and in the event of a tie, the motion shall be lost.

3rd. This Constitution may be amended only by a vote of three-fourths, and the Rules only by a vote of two-thirds of the Mission.

4th. The Mission shall be governed by

the usual rules of our church judicatories so far as practicable; and on points of order not thus decided by Robert's Rules of Order.

2nd (Recommendation) That the subjects of Mission Agents and Examination of Missionaries, which are omitted above, be placed in a set of Rules; that these Rules include also the various schools of the Mission and such other subjects as it may be desired to place there; and that this Committee be authorized to prepare such Rules to be recommended to the Mission at the next Annual Meeting.

3rd. That the changes in the Constitution above recommended be considered as provisionally in force, but that their final adoption by a vote of three-fourths of the Mission be deferred to the next Annual Meeting.

4th. That the Locating Committee be instructed to present at the next Annual Meeting a report defining the limits of our Mission and also of the stations respectively; and as far as practicable a list of the towns within the field of the Mission having a population of 3000 or more each, arranged in order of their importance for occupation as stations or out-stations, and stating their respective advantages.

5th. That the Secretary be instructed to purchase books for the records of the station secretaries and a copy of Robert's Rules of Order for each station.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. P. Graham,
William H. Hannum,
Esther Patton,
Committee.

The Report was on motion adopted.

Dr. Wanless presented a statistical report of Miraj Station. On motion it was approved.

Estimates were called. Mr. Goheen presented estimates for Kolhápur Station.

Ans'd Req. Jan 7, '95 by Board Moved: That in view of paragraph 16 of the revised Manual of the Board the Mission request the Board to grant Mrs. Ferris the same salary as that given to a single man. Carried.

After Intermission Mr. Hannum presented estimates for Ratnágiri Station, Mr. Tedford for Panhála, Mr. Graham for Sángli and Dr. Wanless for Miraj. The estimates were on motion approved. They were as follows:

Moved: That the Stations be instructed respectively to hold meetings, to elect officers and to report at this Meeting. Carried.

Moved: That we take a recess till 8. P.M. Carried.

After recess it was moved: That in reply to the reference in a letter of the Secretary of the Board to "the possibility of Mr. Wilder's permanently settling sometime in the Western India Mission, if that should be the providential purpose"; the Board be requested to assign Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Wilder as members of this Mission. Carried.

Mr. Goheen presented the report of Kolhapur Station that officers had been elected thus: Secretary Mr. Goheen; Treasurer Miss Patton; Auditing Committee, for one year Mrs. Ferris, for two years Mr. Irwin.

Mr. Hannum reported for Ratnágiri Station, Secretary and Treasurer Mr. Hannum; Auditing Committee, for one year Mr. Wilson, for two years Miss Minor.

Mr. Tedford reported for Panhála Station Secretary Mr. Tedford; Treasurer Mrs. Tedford; Auditing Committee for two years Mr. Tedford.

Mr. Graham reported for Sángli Station, Secretary and Treasurer Mr. Graham; Auditing Committee, for one year Mrs. Graham, for two years Miss Brown.

Dr. Wanless reported for Miraj Station, Secretary and Treasurer Dr. Wanless; Auditing Committee, for one year Mrs. Wanless, for two years Mr. Simonson.

On motion the elections were approved.

The order of preference of the Mission for the new missionaries asked was voted as follows:

1 Mr. and Mrs. Seiler
2 Mr. and Mrs. Wilder
3 Industrial man for Sángli
4 Ordained man and medical man for Vengurle
5 Ordained man for Sangli
6 Woman with nurse's training for Miraj
7 Unmarried woman for Miraj
8 Unmarried woman for Kolhapur.

The order of preference of the Mission for the new property asked was voted as follows:

1 Boys' Dormitory and School-house at Sángli and Girls' Dormitory and School-house at Kolhápur.

2 Land for Church and removal of Church at Ratnagiri
3 Land and Bungalow at Vengurle
4 Land for High School at Kolhápur
5 Land for Chapel at Miraj
6 Bungalow at Sángli
7 Tank and Pipes for School at Kolhápur
8 Bungalow at Miraj
9 Boat and Boat-house and land for the boat-house at Ratnágiri
10 Land for School at Kaulápura
11 Land and Wall for Cemetery at Ratnágiri
12 Out-houses at Sángli
13 Land for School and Teacher's Dwelling at Islámpura
14 Remodelling of School-house at Ratnágiri
15 Assistant's House at Miraj
16 Land for Bungalow at Miraj

A petition was presented from Rámchandra H. Jhingáde asking increase of pay. On motion the Secretary was instructed to inform him that the Mission does not see its way clear to grant his request.

Moved: That the Mission proceed to the election of officers by ballot, voting separately on each and after the first ballot dropping all names but the two receiving the highest numbers of votes. Carried.

Results were as follows:

President	Mr. Goheen
Secretary	Mr. Hannum
Treasurer	Mr. Graham

Mr. Graham presented his resignation as a member of the Auditing Committee on account of his election as Treasurer. On motion it was accepted.

Auditing Committee	
For one year	Mr. Irwin
For two years	Mr. Goheen
Publishing Committee	Mrs. Ferris
Examining Committee	Mr. Graham
School Committee	
For one year	Miss Wilder
For two years	Mr. Simonson
Committee of Arrangements	
For one year	Mr. Goheen
For two years	Mrs. Tedford
Property Committee	Mr. Graham.

Moved: That a vote of thanks be extended to the members of the Ratnagiri Station for the gavel and block presented to the Mission. Carried.

Moved: That Miss Minor and Miss Jefferson be permitted to spend the hot season at Mahābleshvara. Carried.

Moved: That Mrs and Miss Wilder be permitted to spend the hot season at Mahābleshvara. Carried.

Moved: That Mr. and Miss Irwin be permitted to spend the hot season at Panhāḷa. Carried.

Moved: That Mr. Simonson be permitted to spend the hot season at Mahābleshvara. Carried.

Resolved: That as a Mission we place on record an expression of our great loss and sorrow on account of the untimely death of our lamented brother, Rev. George H. Ferris; and that we extend to his wife and children our heart-felt sympathy, commending them to the tender care of our Heavenly Father.

Adopted by a rising vote.

The Minutes of the Twenty second Annual Meeting were read and approved.

The Meeting adjourned with prayer by President Graham.

William H. Hannum,
Secretary.

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Meeting

The Twenty-third Annual Meeting of the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India convened in the Mission bungalow at Panhala at 8:15 P.M., 17 October 1895. After the singing of a hymn President Goheen opened the meeting with prayer.

Roll call.

The Roll was called, showing Mrs. Wilder, Mr. and Mrs. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Goheen, Mrs. Ferris, Mr. and Mrs. Tedford, Miss Patton, Miss Wilder, Mr. and Miss Irwin, Mr. Hannum, Miss Minor, Miss Jefferson, Mr. Simonson, Miss Brown and Mr. Wilson, present. Dr. and Mrs. Wanless, Miss Sherman and Mr. and Mrs. Jolly were absent in America, and Mrs. Hannum in Ratnágirí on account of health of the family.

Report Committee of Arrangements.

Mr. Goheen presented the report of the Committee of Arrangements, thus:

The Committee of Arrangements beg to report that they have provided accommodation for all the members of the Mission who expect to attend the Annual Meeting and hope that all will find themselves comfortably situated.

Business Sessions.

Your Committee would respectfully recommend that the regular business sessions of the Mission begin on Friday October 18, 1895 at 2:3o P.M. and that the session~~s~~ each day thereafter be from lo A.M. to 4:3o P.M. with intermission from 12:3o to 2:3o, the session each day to be opened with devotional exercises during the first half hour, led by the male members of the Mission in the order of seniority in the Mission.

Program Religious Services.

Your Committee would recommend also that the following programme of religious services be followed:-

Thursday Oct. 17, 1895. 8:3o P.M.	Opening Sermon. Rev.W.H.Hannum. No business to follow.

Friday Oct. 18 10:30 A.M.	Devotional Service. Leader Rev. J.P.Graham.
8 P.M.	Song Service. Leader Miss Brown.
Sunday Oct. 20. 8 P.M.	Service commemorative of the 25th Anniversary of the taking over of our Mission by our Board. Leader Rev. L.B.Tedford.
Tuesday Oct. 22 8 P.M.	Devotional Service. Leader Miss Jefferson.
Thursday Oct. 24 8 P.M.	Devotional Service. Leader Rev. G.H.Simonson.
Saturday Oct. 26 8 P.M.	Devotional Service Leader Rev. J.M.Irwin.
Sunday Oct. 27 8 P.M.	Communion Service. Rev E.M.Wilson to distribute the bread and Rev. J.M.Goheen the cup.

The Leaders are to choose subjects.

J.M.Goheen.

S.M.Tedford.

On motion the report was adopted.

Annual Sermon

The Annual Sermon was preached by Mr. Hannum from John 9:4 "We must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work;" and from John 14:15, "If ye love me, ye will keep my commandments."

The session adjourned with the benediction.

Second Session.

2. Session

The Second Session met at 10:30 A.M., 18 October, 1895. A devotional service was conducted by Mr. Graham. Members were present as at the First Session.

After intermission, the Minutes of the First Session were read and approved.

The Minutes of the Twenty-second Annual Meeting were read.

Report of Circular Bu

President Goheen presented his Report of Circular Business, thus:

The following motions were passed.

J.M.Goheen, President.

Pay of Catechists

Moved that the Secretary be instructed to inform Haríbá U. Ujagare in reply to his petition of the 2nd. Inst. that we do not see our way clear to depart in his case from the rules which determine the pay of catechists both in the Deccan and Konkan.

Sánglí, Nov. 12, 1894.

Expenses Member of Mission

Moved that any necessary expense incurred by any Member of the Mission, in the execution of Mission business only, and that would not be otherwise incurred, be hereby authorized as a Mission charge.

Jan. 3, 1895.

Transfer Appropriation

As the Rs. 900 for "Land, teachers' house and school at Islámpúr" cannot be used this year in Medical work at Miraj,

Moved that the Mission ask the Board to transfer it back to the object for which it was originally granted.

Koḍolí, Feb. 7, 1895.

Leave absence Mr. Wilson

Moved that Mr. Wilson be permitted to spend the months of March and April, 1895, at Panhaḷá, and May at Mahábaḷeśvara.

Ratnágirí, Feb. 8, 1895.

Employment Catechist

Moved that Balavantaráva S. Sálave be employed as a catechist at Ratnágirí under charge of Mr. Hannum from this date.

Ratnágirí, Feb. 22, 1895.

Absence Mr Tedford in Kolhapur

Moved that Mr. Tedford and family be allowed to spend the rains in Kolhápúr carrying on the work of their field from that place.

Panhaḷá, May 9, 1895.

Mr. Wilson
Miraj

Moved that Mr. Wilson be permitted to remain at Miraj till the next Annual Meeting, on account of health.

Ratnágirí Aug. 15, 1895.

To the President of the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India,

Dear Brother:-

Resignation
Mr. Irwin
from
High School

I beg leave to tender herewith to the Mission through you, my resignation of the appointment of Principal of the Mission High School in Kolhápúr.

I sincerely and earnestly desire this to be accepted and another appointment given me outside of the educational department of the work, believing that I can thus serve our Lord better.

Yours in His Name,

Kolhápúr, Sept. 27, 1895. J.M.Irwin.

Moved that Mr. Irwin's resignation be accepted, to take effect from the opening of the new school year in November 1895.

Kolhápúr, Oct. 1, 1895.

Report of
Kolhapur
Station

Reports of Stations were called. President Goheen read a general report of Kolhápúr Station.

The Session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Tedford.

Third Session.

3. Session

The Third Session met at 10 A.M., 19 October 1895. Devotional exercises were conducted by President Goheen. Members were present as at the Second Session. The Minutes of the Second Session were read and approved.

Reports of Stations were resumed. Mr. Hannum read a general report of Ratnagiri Station. Miss Brown read such a report of Sángli Station, and Mr. Simonson for Miraj Station. Statistical Reports of Stations were called. Mr. Hannum read a statistical report for Ratnágirí Station, Mrs. Tedford such a report for Panhala Station, and Mr. Graham for Sánglí Station.

Moved that the Secrataries of Stations be requested to present the Minutes of their Stations to the Mission. Carried.

Personal Reports

Personal Reports were called. Mrs. Wilder, Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Ferris, Miss Patton, Miss Wilder, Miss Irwin, Miss Jefferson, Miss Brown,~~and~~ Mr. Graham, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Goheen, Mr. Simonson and Mr. Hannum read reports; and Mr. Hannum read Mrs. Hannum's report.

After intermission, Mrs. Goheen, Miss Minor, Mr. Irwin and Mrs. Tedford read reports. Mr. Simonson read a statistical report for Miraj Station, and Mr. Goheen read such a report for Kolhápúr Station.

Moved that the reports as read be approved. Moved that the motion be amended by substitution of the words, "that the question of disposition of the reports be referred to a committee of two." The amendment was aarried and the motion as amended was then carried. The President appointed Mrs. Ferris and Miss Minor as the Committee.

Committees for Station Reports

Moved that the Station Minutes be referred to separate committees of two members each, to be appointed by the President. Carried. The President appointed the following Committees:

On Minutes of Kolhápúr Station Mrs. Tedford and Mr. Simonson.
" " " Ratnágirí " Mr. Tedford and Miss Wilder.
" " " Panháĺá " Mr. Irwin and Mrs. Goheen.
" " " Sánglí " Mrs. Ferris and Mr. Wilson.
" " " Miraj " Mr. Graham and Miss Patton.

Reports of Committees

Reports of Committees were called. Mr. Graham presented the Report of the Examining Committee thus:

Your Committee beg to report that on September 6th, 1895 Miss A.A.Brown, Miss Frances Unsworth and Miss Kate Green presented themselves for, and passed, the final examination in the Maráṭhí Language.

It was approved .

Miss Wilder presented the Report of the School Committee. On motion its recommendations were considered seriatim. Those on Boys' and Girls' Boarding Schools were considered.

The Session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Graham.

Fourth Session.

4, Session

The Fourth Session met at lo A.M. 21 October, 1895. Devotional Exercises were conducted by Mr. Irwin. Members were present as at the Third Session. The Minutes of the Third Session were read, corrected and approved.

The consideration of the Report of the School Committee was resumed. Its recommendations as amended and adopted were as follows:

Additions Boy's Bd. School

On the Boys' Boarding School. First, that the recommendation of last year in regard to the necessity for additions to both dormitory and school room be repeated and emphasized.

Second, that renewed efforts be made to secure a Christian headmaster.

Third, that carpentering, weaving, sewing or similar industries be taught in the industrial department by native teachers until better provisions can be made.

Girls School

On the Girls' Boarding School. First, that as soon as possible additions be made to both dormitory and school buildings.

Second, that still further efforts be made to secure a Christian female teacher for this school.

Visitation schools by Committee

The Committee's recommendation: that the school committee be abolished and that each member of the Mission be urged by personal visitation of the schools to interest himself in and inform himself concerning their work, was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Rules.

Report Auditing Committee

Mr. Irwin presented the following report:

The Auditing Committee of the Mission beg leave to report that they examined the Treasurer's report for the year ending April 30, 1895, and found it correct. The Report was approved.

Report Pub. Committee

Mr. Hannum presented the following Report:

The Publishing Committee begs to report that no business has been referred to this Committee within the year.

The Report was approved.

Report Prop. Com.

Mr. Irwin took the chair, and Mr. Goheen presented the Report of the Property Committee, stating repairs on the sanitarium building at Mahábaḷeśvara and on the bungalow at Ratnágirí, and the erection of a school house and helpers' dwellings at Herla.

It was approved.

Report Locating Com.

President Goheen resumed the chair. The Locating Committee, and the Committees on Constitution and Rules and on Standard and Scale of Pay for Indian Agents were called but were not ready to report.

Report Orphanage Com.

Mrs. Goheen presented the report of the Committee on Orphanage, signed by herself and by Mrs. Ferris and Miss Patton, stating investigation of the subject, but from insufficiency of missionary force, and from lack of place and of funds, making no recommendation, though encouraging individuals to care for orphans, exercising caution as to the persons put in charge of them.

The Report was approved.

Telegraph Code

Secretary Hannum made a report on a telegraph code. Recommendations were after amendment, adopted as follows:

First, that the "A.B.C. Code, Fourth Edition," be adopted for use by the Mission: and

Second, that the Secretary be directed to purchase three copies of that Code, for the President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Mr. Tedford read a general Report of Panháḷá Station and his personal Report.

Mr. Irwin presented a Report, signed by himself and Mrs. Goheen, approving the Minutes of Panháḷá Station.

The Report was accepted.

Mr. Wilson presented a Report signed by Mrs. Ferris and himself, approving the Minutes of Sánglí Station.

The Report was accepted.

Mr. Tedford presented a Report signed by himself and Miss Wilder, making certain statements concerning the Minutes of Ratnágirí Station. The Report was on motion referred back to the Committee to formulate recommendations.

Mrs. Tedford presented a Report signed by herself and Mr. Simonson, approving the Minutes of Kolhápúr Station.

The Report was accepted.

Lack of uniformity
Kolhapur

Mrs. Ferris presented a Report, signed by herself and Miss Minor, Ratnagiri on the Disposition of the Station and Personal Reports, calling attention to their lack of uniformity and to other defects.

After intermission the consideration of that Report was resumed but no recommendations were adopted.

Moved, that the Station and Personal Reports be approved as read to the Mission except that the Secretaries be instructed to fill the blank spaces. Carried.

Report Minutes Ratnagiri

Mr. Tedford again presented the Report of the Committee on Minutes of Ratnágirí Station. The following recommendation was adopted: That the boundaries of the field be referred to the Locating Committee. The following recommendation as amended was referred to the Committee on Standard and Scale of Pay for Mission Agents: That the rule of the Ratnágirí Station concerning the debt of native agents be adopted as the rule of the Mission. The rule alluded to was as follows: "Resolved: That any agent, hereafter employed in this Station, going into debt to an amount greater than one month's salary be forthwith dismissed."

Resolution in re debt.

Report Com on Constitution & Rules.

Mr. Graham read the Report of the Committee on Constitution and Rules. On motion it was considered seriatim. The first Article, consisting of two sections, was adopted unanimously. The first Section of the second Article was amended by the substitution of "an Arrangement Committee," instead of "a School Committee" and, together with the second, third and fourth Sections, was adopted unanimously.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Simonson.

Fifth Session.

5th Session.

The Fifth Session met at 10 A.M, 22 Oct. 1895. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Tedford. Members were present as at the Fourth Session. The Minutes of the Fourth Session were read, corrected and approved.

Usage Presbytery

Moved: That the usage of Presbytery be adopted in copying in the Minutes of Stations the Reports of the examining Committees as accepted by the Mission. Carried.

Report Exam. Minutes Miraj Sta.

Mr. Graham presented a Report of the Committee on Examination of the Minutes of Miraj Station, approving them. The Report was accepted.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Constitution and Rules was resumed, and sections of the Constitution were adopted through the first Section of the Fourth Article.

After intermission, further Sections of the Constitution were adopted through the Third Section of the Fourth Article, thus completing the Constitution. The Rules were considered and adopted through the first seven.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Wilson.

Sixth Session.

6. Session

The Sixth Session met at 10 A.M. 23 Oct. 1895. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Hannum. Members were present as at the Fifth Session. The Minutes of the Fifth Session were read and approved.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Constitution and Rules was resumed, and Rules were adopted through the ninth.

After intermission, Rules were adopted through the thirteenth.

Moved that when we do adjourn, we adjourn to meet at the call of the President, on account of the Meeting of the Presbytery of Kolhápúr. Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Irwin.

Seventh Session.

7. Session

The Seventh Session met at 10 A.M. 25 October, 1895, pursuant to the call of the President. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Wilson. Members were present as at the Sixth Session. The Minutes of the Sixth Session were read and approved.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Constitution and Rules was resumed, and Rules were adopted through the thirty seventh; except that,

Amendment = Rule 21 "No grant-in-aid or donation of national, state or municipal funds shall be accepted for any school or other work of the Mission;" and a motion to amend it by striking out "or donation of" and "funds", were laid on the table; and the following rules were laid on the table till the Committee on Standard and Scale of pay for Mission Agents reports:

" Rule 18 "No perquisite or reward shall be paid to any teacher for the passing of examinations by pupils:" and

" Rule 27, Second Portion: "But parents who are Indian Christian Agents, sending their children to school as day scholars shall receive an allowance for their support of two rupees a month, regular attendance being required; and this amount shall be reduced in proportion to unexcused absences."

Moved: That when we do adjourn we adjourn to meet on 26 October at 2:3o P.M. Carried .

Adjourned with prayer by President Goheen.

Eighth Session.

8. Session The Eighth Session met at 2:3o P.M. 26 October, 1895. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Graham. Members were present as at the Seventh Session. The Minutes of the Seventh Session were read and approved.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Constitution and Rules was resumed and completed.

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Constitution

The Constitution as adopted by three-fourths vote was as follows:-

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CONSTITUTION

# of the

AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN MISSION IN WESTERN INDIA.

Article I. NAME.

Section 1. The Mission which is under the direction of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, and which is situated in the Southern part of the Bombay Presidency, India, shall be known as the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India.

Section 2. The Manual of the Board shall be the supreme law of the Mission, and no provision of this Constitution shall be so construed as to conflict therewith.

Article II. OFFICERS.

Section 1. The Officers of the Mission shall be a President, a Secretary and a Treasurer to be chosen at each Annual Meeting; and an Auditing Committee, a Publishing Committee, an Examining Committee, and an Arrangement Committee, each of which shall consist of two members, one member to be chosen at each Annual Meeting to serve two years; also a Property Committee of three members, one member to be chosen at each Annual Meeting to serve three years; and a Locating Committee consisting of the Secretaries of the Stations.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all Mission Meetings, to call special meetings at the request of two-thirds of the members, and in case of business duly proposed and seconded in writing between meetings to submit the same by circular for the votes of members and promptly to make known the result to all, keeping a record of all such business and submitting it to the next Annual Meeting.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep the Minutes of each meeting, promptly to forward a copy of them as approved by the Mission to the Board, and to keep a copy of the same in a book of records for the use of the Mission; he shall also conduct all official correspondence of the Mission not included in the duties assigned by this Constitution to the other officers, and shall keep files of all such correspondence.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall have control of the funds of the Mission, as required in the Board's Manual.

Section 5. The Auditing Committee shall carefully examine all accounts of the members and Treasurer, and when satisfied the accounts are correct certify the same.

Section 6. The Publishing Committee shall have in charge all publication ordered by the Mission.

Section 7. The Examining Committee shall examine in the Marathi language such members of the Mission as may present themselves and shall report at the next Annual Meeting whether they have passed and if a candidate has not presented himself in the required time what excuse has been given.

Section 8. The Arrangement Committee shall arrange all sessions and religious services of the Meetings of the Mission, and shall secure and assign lodgings for all members during such meetings.

Section 9. The Property Committee shall have control of the purchase of land and of the erection and alteration of buildings as required in the Board's Manual.

Section 1o. The Locating Committee shall make a report at each Annual Meeting recommending such location or transfer of Missionaries and agents as may be deemed desirable.

Article III. Stations.

Section 1. Each Station shall within a month before each Annual Meeting of the Mission, hold a meeting for the adoption of the Station's Report both statistical and general (for the year ending 3oth of September) and of the estimates to be presented to the Mission, and for consideration of the general work of the Station and of the Mission. Special meetings may be held at the call of the Secretary of the Station. The vote of the majority of the Missionaries shall be necessary to the adoption of any measure. All acts of the Station shall from the next Annual Meeting of the Mission be considered valid unless disapproved by the Mission.

Section 2. The Officers of each Station shall be a Secretary, a Treasurer and an Auditing Committee to be chosen by the Station.

Section 3. The Secretary shall preside at all meetings, and keep a permanent record of all acts of the same and present them at the Annual Meeting of the Mission.

Article IV. MEETINGS.

Section 1. The Annual Meeting shall convene at Panhala at 8 P.M. on the first Thursday after the 15th of October . The ordained Missionaries shall preach by turns in the order of seniority in the Mission, one at each Annual Meeting. The Lord's Supper shall be celebrated at each Annual Meeting.

Section 2. At every Annual Meeting the Secretary of each Station shall present a full detailed report of the work of the Station and each Missionary a brief personal report of his own work. These reports as read shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the Board in charge of the correspondence, by the Secretaries of the Stations.

Section 3. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

The President shall have a vote on all questions and in the event of a tie the motion shall be considered lost.

The yeas and nays may be recorded at the wish of a majority, and any member's vote at his own request.

All temporary committees, unless otherwise provided for, shall be appointed by the President.

The Mission shall be governed by the usual rules of our church judicatories as far as applicable; and on points of order not thus decided, by Robert's Rules of Order.

This Constitution may be amended or suspended by a vote of three-fourths, and the Rules by a vote of two-thirds of the Mission.

The Rules as adopted by a two-thirds vote were as follows:

RULES.

Examination of Missionaries.

1. Each new Missionary shall offer himself for the preliminary examination in the Maráṭhí language within one year, and for the final examination within two years after joining the Mission.

2. In order to pass the examination a candidate shall gain an average grade of sixty percent. The degree of advancement required shall in general be determined by the Course of Study specified in the Rules, but the examination shall not be limited to the books named.

3. Two dictionaries (English-Maráṭhí and Maráṭhí-English) and a grammar shall be furnished each Missionary. A Missionary, at any time, may employ a personal teacher whose pay shall not exceed rupees 150 a year.

4. The Course of Study in Maráṭhí recommended to new Missionaries is as follows:

First Year.

1. Conversation and dictation exercises from the first.
2. Navalkar's Student's Grammar, Part I.
3. First and Second Books of the Bombay Government Series in Bálbodh.
4. Maráṭhí-English Primer by G.H.Bhide.
5. John's Gospel in Maráṭhí.
6. New Testament Stories of the Christian Literature Society, for translation from English into Maráṭhí.

Second Year.

1. Translations from Maráṭhí into English;
   (1) Third Book of Bombay Government Series.
   (2) Báḷmitra, 150 pages.
   (3) Aesop's Fables. Fifty Fables.
   (4) Ten chapters of Genesis, and the Epistles to the Galatians and Ephesians.
2. Translations from English into Maráṭhí;
   (1) Pilgrim's Progress:- to Christian's meeting with Apollyon.
   (2) Royal Reader No. 3.
3. Navalkar's Student's Grammar, Part III.
4. Moḍí. First and Second Books of the Bombay Government Series.
5. Reading and writing letters in Báḷbodh character.

5. The Topics for examination with marks for grading shall be as follows:

~~1.~~ First Year.

1.	Reading Maráṭhí to show pronunciation and fluency	100
2.	Oral translation from Maráṭhí to English with explanation	50
3.	Grammar and Grammatical Forms	100
4.	Conversation with Examining Committee	100
5.	Written translation from Maráṭhí to English	50
6.	Written translation from English to Maráṭhí	100
	Total	500

Second Year.

1.	Reading Maráṭhi´	100
2.	(1) Oral translation from Maráṭhi´ to English	50
	(2) Oral translation from English to Maráṭhi´	100
3.	Written translations	
	(1) From Maráṭhi´ to English	50
	(2) From English to Maráṭhi´	125
4.	Grammar and Grammatical Analysis	100
5.	Maráṭhi´ conversation with native not the candidate's teacher	125
6.	Reading Modi´ Character	25
7.	Reading a letter in Bálbodh character and writing an answer to the same	25
	Total	700

Schools.

6. The schools of the Mission shall be classified as High Schools, Boarding Schools and Vernacular Schools.

7. The Course of Study in High Schools shall be the same as that prescribed in the Grant-in-aid Code for schools and colleges in the Presidency of Bombay, Schedule D.

8. The Course of Study in the Boarding Schools shall be the same as that prescribed in the same Code, Schedule E, Course 1 or 2. There shall be religious instruction at least three hours a week using the Maráṭhi´ Bible as a text book, and that instruction shall count as an additional head in each standard.

9. The Course of Study in the Vennacular Schools shall be that of the Primary Class and four standards of Course 1 or 2 prescribed in Schedule E of said Code.

The following course of religious instruction, or some other approved by the Station, shall be pursued:

Primary Class.

Lord's Prayer, Catechism (Bodhpar) 21 questions.

First Standard.

Ten Commandments. Catechism, 72 questions.

Second Standard.

Catechism completed. Matt. 5: 1-12.

Third Standard.

23rd. Psalm. 3 Christian Hymns. Summary of Christian Doctrine, 4 Chapters.

Fourth Standard.

Summary of Christian Doctrine completed. John 3: 14-21. I Cor. 13th. Chapter.

10. A register showing names of pupils, their standards and daily attendance shall be kept in each school.

11. No boy over eight years of age may attend a girls' Boarding School; and boys shall not be eligible for prizes in Girls' schools.

12. In case of a pupil or teacher leaving a school of the Mission and applying for admission to another school, a certificate of dismissal from the ~~teacher~~ missionary in charge of the school from which he comes shall be required.

Prizes

13. Prizes may be awarded out of the appropriations to pupils in High Schools and Boarding Schools provided that such awards shall be upon the basis of competitive examinations.

14. Prizes may be given to pupils in Vernacular Schools for passing examinations for promotion, as follows:

In each Standard the text-books needed for the next Standard shall be given as prizes for rising; and in girls' schools the following prizes shall be given besides:

From Primary Class.
A slate and satchel, and a choḷi costing not more than four annas.
From First Standard.
Marathi New Testament and Hymn book, and a choḷi costing not more than eight annas.
From Second Standard.
Clothing costing not more than two rupees.
From Third Standard.
Lugaḍe costing not more than three rupees.
From Fourth Standard.
Clothing costing not more than four rupees.

No prizes other than those mentioned in this rule may be granted either from the appropriations or from private gifts except by vote of the Station.

15. Vernacular Schools may be furnished with chairs, tables, blackboards, maps and abacuses. Other Schools may be provided with such furniture and apparatus as may be allowed by the appropriations. In each Vernacular School for girls material for sewing may be furnished to an amount not exceeding twelve annas a year for each pupil. A woman to bring the girls to school may be employed at a rate not to exceed three rupees a month.

16. A vote of the Station or of the Mission shall be necessary to the establishment of a new school, to the transfer of a school from one Missionary's care to that of another, or to the employment of a teacher.

17. The salaries of teachers (other than Indian Christian agents) in Vernacular Schools shall be determined by the Station, but shall not exceed ten rupees a month except by vote of the Mission.

18. Pupils may be employed as assistant teachers to such extent only as will not materially interfere with their own studies, and at rates not to exceed one rupee a month for each pupil so employed, the whole pay of such pupils not to exceed two rupees a month in a Vernacular School, or four rupees ~~a month~~ in a Boarding School.

19. Pupils in Vernacular Schools shall be promoted only on passing examinations held by the Secretary of the Station or by the Missionary in charge of the School, and in High Schools and Boarding Schools on passing examinations held by the Principals.

20. The age for admission into the Boarding Schools shall be, of boys eight years and of girls seven years. No applicant shall be received into a Boarding School, and no Christian applicant into a High School, without a letter from the Secretary of the Station from which he comes.

21. Clothing and a box to keep it in, vessels, and books shall be provided for each boarder from the funds of the Boarding School~~s~~; but these articles shall be regarded as the property of the School given to the pupils for their use only and shall be turned over to the Principal whenever the pupils leave school either temporarily or permanently, with the exception of one suit of clothing.

22. For the support of each boarder including clothing, food, lights and fuel the allowance shall be four rupees a month.

23. The pupils in boarding schools shall be required to learn to wash, sew, cook and take care of the school-houses and dormitories. They shall also be taught gardening or other work as the Principal thinks best to require of them.

24. Suitable games may be provided for the diversion of the pupils in boarding schools outside of the time appointed for study and work.

25. Boarding schools shall be in session at least five hours each day excepting Saturday's and Sundays:- the five hours including the time set apart for prayers and recesses.

26. In the Boarding Schools there shall be two terms each year. The first term shall begin the first Thursday after the 10th of November and end the last Thursday in March; the second term shall begin the first Thursday in June and end the last Thursday before the 15th of October.

27. No travelling expenses of pupils to and from the Boarding Schools shall be paid out of the funds of the Schools.

28. Each High School and Boarding School shall maintain daily prayers, at which all pupils and teachers are expected to be present (Amended. See page 26)

29. No children of Christian parents unless residing within our Mission field shall be supported by the funds of the Boarding Schools.

Mission Meetings.

30. The Order of Business at the Annual Meeting of the Mission shall be as near as practicable the following:

Roll-Call.
Report of Committee of Arrangements.
Reading Minutes of Last Meeting.
Report of Business transacted by Circular.
Reports of Stations.
Reports of Missionaries.
Reports of Committees.
Miscellaneous Business.
Estimates.
Order of Preference in
  1. New Property asked
  2. New Missionaries asked
Election of Officers.

31. The Order of Preference in Appropriations asked for New Property, shall be decided by a separate vote on the several objects proposed for the first place, in the order of their nomination, until some object has received a majority of the votes cast. Similar votes shall be taken for the second place and so on until the order of every approved estimate has been determined. In the same way the Order of Preference for all New Missionaries shall be determined.

32. The Annual Election of Officers shall be by Ballot.

33. The women of the Mission shall have the right to vote on all questions equally with the men.

34. Every question proposed by circular shall be signed by the mover and by the seconder with the date. It shall then be circulated once for both remarks and votes. At the request of any member the question shall be circulated a second time for remarks and

votes; otherwise the first circulation shall be final. It shall then be returned to the President who shall write on it the word "Carried" or the word "Lost" with his signature and shall preserve it till the next Annual Meeting when it shall be presented with his report. Every subsidiary question shall take a like course being circulated with its principal until the subsidiary question or the principal question is decided.

Stations.

35. Each Station shall have authority over all departments of Mission work within its own field subject to the direction of the Mission. (Amended. See page 24)

36. In order to the establishment of an out-station or to the designation of an agent to live at any town that has not been occupied by the Mission within the last year, a vote of the Station within whose field that town is situated shall be necessary. An agent may be transferred from one station to another by the concurrent votes of those stations, or by a vote of the Mission.

37. Members of the Mission absent from the field on furlough or by special permission of the Board shall still be regarded as Members of the Mission and of their respective Stations unless their connection be severed by the Board; but no member absent from India may vote or hold office in the Mission or in a Station.

38. Every Member shall be entitled to vacation at Mahábleshwar or Panhaḷá for the hot season each year. The occupants of the Mission bungalows at these sanitariums shall be designated by the Locating Committee. (Amended. See pages 20 and 26)

39. Any sum of money received for Mission work by a member from any Church, Sabbath-school, Society or individual in the United States of America connected with the Presbyterian Church shall be promptly transferred to the Station Treasurer with any directions sent by the giver concerning the object of expenditure. No such gift shall be considered as cause for any excess of expenditure for any object over the Board's appropriations. The Mission recommends that gifts from other sources be likewise transferred to the Treasurer whe~~re~~n such transfer is consistent with the conditions imposed by the giver.

4o. The Treasurer of each Station shall keep the funds remitted to him by the Mission Treasurer in a bank approved by the Mission and shall distribute them among the members respectively for the authorized work under their supervision according to the appropriations.

41. He shall collect from the Members of the Station any revenue derived from such sources as tuition fees, medical fees, sale of books, sale of Mission property etc., and report the same to the Treasurer of the Mission in the last month of each quarter, viz. in July, October, January and April.

42. He shall advise the Mission Treasurer at least one week before the first day of each month as to the amount needed for the current expenses of the Station in that month.

43. He shall keep in official books clear and correct accounts of all receipts and payments and have vouchers for the latter. These books shall be the property of the Mission and be open to the

inspection of any member of the Mission at any reasonable time.

44. On the first of May or as soon after as possible, he shall hand to the Mission Treasurer, on a printed form received from him a detailed statement of all the expenses of his station for the preceding year; also similar detailed statements on the same forms from the members respectively. The statements of the members shall be accompanied by vouchers so far as necessary to a clear and full understanding of the separate charges contained in them. These statements when audited by the Committee of the Mission shall be returned to the Station Treasurer, and the total expenditure of each member and of the Station entered in his books, after which the books shall be examined by the Auditing Committee of the Station.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Wilson.

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The Lord's Supper was celebrated on Sabbath, 27 October, 1895, at 8 P M., Mr. Wilson distributing the bread, and Mr. Goheen the cup

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9. Session

Ninth Session.

The Ninth Session met at lo A.M. 28 Oct. 1895. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Simonson. Members were present as at the Eighth Session. The Minutes of the Eighth Session were read and approved.

Amendment On motion Rule 38 on Vacations was reconsidered. It was amended to read as follows and adopted: "Every member shall be entitled to vacation at Mahábḷeshwar or Panháḷá for the hot season each year. Any person not availing himself of this liberty in the hot season may take a change of equal length at such time as the Station may determine. The housekeepers of these sanitariums shall be designated by the Locating Committee."

Overture to 108, General Assembly

The following Overture from this Mission to the One Hundred~~th~~ Eighth General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, to meet at Saratoga Springs, New York, in May 1896, was adopted:

The American Presbyterian Mission in Western India, in reference to the declaration of the Assembly of 1894, made in these words: "This Assembly does hereby protest most earnestly against ~~an~~ any donation of national, state or municipal funds for ecclesiastical uses, by whomsoever sought or upon whatsoever pretext;" would request answers to the following questions:

First: Is this declaration intended to discourage the acceptance of such funds for like objects on the foreign mission fields of our Church as well as in the United States of America?

Second: Does it discourage the acceptance of land or of buildings to be used in Mission work?

Reading & religious instruction in schools

Moved: That Miss Patton and Miss Minor be appointed a Committee to draft a rule regarding schools for reading and religious instruction. Carried.

Report on Pay Mission Agts.

Mr. Graham presented the Report of the Committee on Standard and Scale of Pay for Mission Agents recommending nine rules and an amendment to the Constitution. He also presented a minority Report signed by himself.

Moved: That the Mission proceed to consider the Committee's Report Seriatim, deferring final adoption or rejection till the whole is considered. Carried.

The First Rule was considered.

After intermission it was moved: That a Committee composed of Mr. Irwin and Mr. Wilson be appointed to consider the Report of the Committee on Standard and Scale of Pay, and the Minority Report, to report tomorrow at 2:3o P.M. Carried.

Exam. Messrs. Simonson & Wilson

Mr. Graham presented a Report of the Examining Committee, stating that Mr. Wilson had passed the preliminary, and Mr. Simonson the final examination in the Maráṭhí Language on 26th October, 1895.

Discontinuance of Rufus Badar

Mr. Simonson presented communications concerning Rufus Baḍar, who was supported by the Mission in the Medical Institute at Ágra, showing that he was expelled for misconduct. Moved: That Mr. Simonson be directed to inform Mr. Rufus Baḍar that his connection with the Mission is cut off from 1st Nov. 1895. Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Tedford.

Tenth Session.

10. Session

The Tenth Session met at 10 A.M. 29 Oct. 1895. Devotional exercises were conducted by President Goheen. Members were present as at the Ninth Session. The Minutes of the Ninth Session were read, corrected and approved.

Miss Patton presented the Report of the Committee on Rule for Schools for Reading and for Religious Instruction, recommending such a rule. The rule as amended and adopted was as follows:

Classes may be established by vote of the Station for the purpose of teaching to read and of imparting Christian knowledge, the whole expense of each class not to exceed six rupees a month.

"Indian Notes" expense

Moved: That "Indian Notes" be taken under the care of the Mission, the Mission not to be responsible for the expense beyond giving one half of the expense of the Report Number; and that the Publishing Committee be directed to assume the work. Carried.

Discontinuance Hariba U. Ujagare

The Secretary presented a communication from Hariba U. Ujagare, asking to be transferred to a Station in the Dakhaṇa. Moved: That he be informed of the dissolution of his connection with the Mission and that no further reply to his petition of 14th October 1895 seems necessary. Carried.

Increase pay Pitre and Joga

Communications from A.H.Pitre and from S.C.Joga, teachers in the High School, requesting increase of pay were presented and were referred to the Principal of the School.

Mr. Tedford presented a communication from Santobá R. Rhṇabhise asking increase of pay. It was referred to Panhāḷá Station.

Mr. Tedford presented a communication from Rev. Saṭubá R. Raṇabhise, asking certain pecuniary relief. Moved: That Rev. Saṭubá R.Raṇabhise be requested to address his petitions on pecuniary matters to his own congregation or to the Home Mission Committee of the

Presbytery. Carried.

Mr. Tedford presented a communication from Baijúbá Thákúra, asking to be transferred to Kolhápúr. On motion the petition was referred to the Locating Committee.

Mr. Tedford presented a communication ~~petition~~ from Jayavanta Pola requesting employment as a Mission agent, and one from Ráma Báḷakobá Chopaḍe asking increase of pay. On motion they were referred to Panhala Station.

Chopade

On motion the Report of the Committee on Standard and Scale of Pay for Mission Agents was made the order of the day for 30 October 10:30 A.M.

Mr. Simonson presented a personal Report of Dr. Wanless. On motion it was approved and ordered forwarded by the Secretary of Miraj Station to the Secretary of the Board.

Moved: That the Mission consider seriatim the matters referred to the Mission by the Board in its letters of 1 January, 24 April and 31 May 1895. Carried.

"National Ch. in India"

After intermission it was moved: That the Board be informed that the Board's letter was the first intimation that the Mission had on the subject of the "National Church in India." of Madrás.

Carried.

President Goheen presented the Report of the Locating Committee, containing seven ~~several~~ recommendations. On motion it was considered seriatim. Moved: That the vote on the recommendations be taken after all are considered. Carried.

On motion the Report was laid on the table.

Control of High School.

The President being asked whether the High School was under the control of the Station, made this decision: By the rule of the Mission, viz., "Each Station shall have authority over all departments of mission work within its own field subject to the ~~decision~~ direction of the Mission;" the work of the High School is under the Station under direction of the Mission.

An appeal from this decision was taken in order to bring the question before the Mission. On vote the chair was unanimously sustained.

Addition to Rule

Moved: That the Rule be amended by the addition of these words: "but the appointment of Princi~~a~~pals of Boarding and High Schools shall be by vote of the Mission only." Carried.

Consideration Continuance High School

Moved: That we proceed to the election of a Principal of the Mission High School . Moved: That the motion be amended by the substitution of these words : That the High School be discontinued. Moved: That the Mission resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the continuance of the High School. Carried.

The Mission went into Committee of the whole.

On the Mission's again convening, Mr. Wilson, as Clerk of the Committee of the whole, reported progress.

On motion a recess was taken until 8 P.M.

After recess, the Mission on motion again went into Committee of the whole on the same question.

On the Mission's again convening, Mr. Irwin, as Chairman of the Committee of the whole, reported the recommendation of the Committee that the High School be continued.

High School Continued!

On motion the yeas and nays were taken on the amendment: That the High School be discontinued. The vote was as follows:

Yea	Nay
Mr. Graham	Mrs. Wilder
Mrs. Graham	Mr. Goheen
Mrs. Ferris	Mrs Goheen
Miss Wilder	Mr. Tedford
Mr. Hannum	Mrs. Tedford
Miss Minor	Miss Patton
Miss Jefferson	Mr. Irwin
Miss Brown	Miss Irwin
Total - 8	Mr. Simonson
	Total - 9

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Wilson elected President

The motion: That we proceed to the election of a Principal of the Mission High School; was carried. Mr. Wilson was elected.

On motion the Session adjourned, Mr. Hannum leading in prayer.

Eleventh Session.

11. Session.

The Eleventh Session met at 10:~~30~~ A.M. 30 October 1895. Devotional exercises were led by Mr. Ted~~a~~ford. Members were present as at the Tenth Session, except Mrs. Goheen, who was absent on account of indisposition. The Minutes of the Tenth Session were read, corrected and approved.

The Order of the Day was called, and Mr. Irwin presented the report of the Committee on Reports on Standard and Scale of Pay for Mission Agents, Mr. Wilson giving an accompanying oral statement of Dr. Nevius's Method. The report suggested an order of consideration of the whole subject and contained a statement of the similarities and dissimilarities of the two schemes proposed and six recommendations: The following two were adopted:

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First: That the Secretary be instructed to supply the Mission with copies of Dr. Nevius's pamphlet; and

Practibility Dr. Nevius Method

Second: That a Committee be appointed to examine Dr. Nevius' Scheme, to correspond with the missionaries in China as to its practical outworking, and with the Board as to their judgment of it, and to report at the next Annual Meeting how much of that plan is suitable to our work.

Moved: That the whole subject of the Standard and Scale of Pay be referred to the Committee provided for to correspond concerning Dr. Nevius's methods, to report at the Next Annual Meeting.

Carried.

The President appointed Mr. Irwin and Mr. Simonson as the Committee.

The consideration of the Report of the Locating Committee was resumed.

After intermission, Mrs. Goheen was present. The recommendations of the Locating Committee as amended and adopted were as follows:

Locations

Missionaries until March

1. That Mr. Wilson be stationed at Kolhápúr;
2. That Mr. and Miss Irwin be stationed at Ratnágirí;
3. That Miss Brown and Miss Sherman be stationed at Panháḷá;
4. That Mr. and Mrs. Seiler be stationed at Miraj till the middle of March next;
5. That Miss Mc Intosh be stationed at Panháḷá; and
6. That in view of the competency of Panháḷá Station to deal with the matter of the petition of Baijúbá Ṭhákúra, no action be taken with reference to it.

Moved: That Rule 28 on Daily Prayers, be amended by striking out "At which all pupils and teachers are expected to be present."

Carried.

On motion the matter of boundaries was referred to a Committee consisting of Mr. Hannum and Mrs. Ferris to report at the next Annual Meeting. Carried.

Amendment

On motion Rule 38 on vacations, was amended ~~was amended~~ by substitution for "housekeepers" of "hostesses."

Moved: That the property at Mahábaḷeśvara be placed under the care of Sangli Station. Carried.

Moved: That the property of the sanitarium at Panhala be placed under the care of Panháḷá Station. Carried.

Estimates were called .

On motion the Session adjourned, President Goheen leading in prayer.

Twelfth Session.

2. Session

The Twelfth Session met at 10:~~50~~ A.M. 31 October 1895. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. Hannum. Members were present as at the close of the Eleventh Session. The Minutes of the Eleventh Session were read, corrected and approved.

On motion Mrs. and Miss Wilder and Mrs. Goheen were excused from the meeting.

On motion the following Rule was adopted:

Vacation allowance Indian children

Indian Christian Agents shall not be paid vacation allowances for children over eighteen years of age.

On motion the name of Rev. G.W.Seiler was substituted for the name of Mrs. Ferris on the Boundary Committee.

Estimates

Estimates were again called. President Goheen presented estimates for Kolhápúr Station, Mrs. Tedford for Panháḷá, Mr. Hannum for Ratnágirí, Mr. Graham for Sánglí and Mr. Simonson for Miraj. The Estimates as adopted were as follows: (See Estimate Sheets)

Pages 28-69 are the Estimates.

The order of preference for new missionaries was decided as follows:

New missionaries

1. Man for Industrial work, Sánglí.
2. Woman for Kolhápúr.
3. Ordained man for Vengurle.
4. Ordained man for Sánglí.
5. Medical man for Vengurle.
6. Ordained man for Ratnágirí.

New property The order of preference for new property asked was decided as follows:

1. Dormitories and School Houses for Girls' Boarding School, Kolhápúr, and for Boys' Boarding School, Sánglí.

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New Property

2. Land for Chapel, Miraj.
3. Land and Bungalow, Miraj.
4. Bungalow, Sánglí.
5. Land and Bungalow, Islámpúra.
6. Addition to Bungalow, Koḍolí.
7. Roofs of Out-houses, Sánglí.
8. Dwelling for Assistant Physician and for Apothecary, Miraj.
9. Land and wall for Cemetery, Ratnágirí.
10. Land and wall for Cemetery, Sánglí.
11. Well, Koḍolí.

Moved: That after Election of Officers recess be taken till 8 o'clock in the evening. Carried.

Moved: That the allowance of eighteen rupees a month to Samuel Peter be continued to the 1st November 1896. Carried.

Moved: That we proceed to the Election of Officers by ballot, voting separately for each officer, and after the first ballot dropping the names of all except the two having the highest numbers of votes. Carried.

Officers were elected as follows:

Election Officers

President	Mr. Irwin.
Secretary	Mr. Hannum
Treasurer	Mr. Graham.
Member of Auditing Committee	Mr. Wilson.
" " Publishing "	Mr. Seiler.
" " Examining Committee	Mr. Seiler.
" " Arrangement "	Mr. Wilson.
" " Property "	Mr. Simonson.

Furlough Goheen

After recess, it was moved: That Mr. and Mrs. Goheen be permitted to go on furlough in March next. Carried.

Furloughs

Resolved: That the Board's attention be called to the fact that according to the Manual the furloughs of eight members of the Mission will come in 1898, and that this be urged as an additional reason for the Board's sending all the reenforcements now asked. Carried.

The Minutes of the Twenty-third Annual Meeting were read and approved.

After the singing of a hymn the Meeting adjourned with prayer by President Goheen.

William H. Hannum
Secretary.

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Twenty-Fourth Annual Meeting
Western India

The Twenty-Fourth Annual Meeting of the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India convened in the Mission Bungalow No. 1 at Panhálá 8 P.M. 22 October 1896, and was called to order by President Irwin.

The Roll was called. There were present Mrs. Wilder, Mr. and Mrs. Seiler, Mr. and Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Ferris, Mr. and Mrs. Tedford, Miss Patton, Miss Wilder, Miss. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin, Miss Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. Hannum, Miss. Minor, Miss. Jefferson, Mr. Simonson, Miss. Brown, and Mr. Wilson. Mr. and Mrs. Goheen were absent in America and Dr. and Mrs. Wanless on the way to the field.

Mr. Wilson presented the Report of the Arrangement Committee, which was accepted as follows: The Arrangement Committee respectfully report that they have to the best of their ability provided for the accommodation of all the members of the Mission who expect to be present at the Annual Meeting. The Committee sincerely hope that notwithstanding the limited room no one may be uncomfortable. It is recommended that in addition to the regular business sessions, the following programme of devotional meetings be followed:

Thursday October 22, 8 P.M. Sermon; Mr. Irwin

Friday October 23,	10 A.M.	Leader, Mr. Graham. Subject, The Year Past,– Thanksgiving
	3 P.M.	Leader Mr. Tedford, Subject. The Year to Come – Requests for Prayer.
	8. P.M.	Song Service. Leader, Mr. Hannum.
Sunday October 25,	11:30 A.M.	Church Service. Mr. Simonson
Monday " 26,	8 P.M.	Mr. Wilson
Wednesday " 28,	8. P.M.	Mr. Seiler
Friday " 30,	8. P.M.	Miss. Minor
Sunday November 1,	11:30 A.M.	Sunday-school Class. Miss Sherman
	4:30 P.M.	Communion Service, Mr. Tedford and Mr. Hannum.
Monday November 2,	8. P.M.	Dr. Wanless
Wednesday " 4.	8 P.M.	Mr. Seiler
Friday " 6,	8 P.M.	Mr. Graham

Leaders to select their own subjects, except as specified above. It is recommended that the business meetings be held daily from 10 A.M to 4:30 P.M. with intermission from 12:30 to 2:30 P.M. the first session to be held Saturday October 24, 1896; and that the first half-hour of each session be set apart for morning prayers; leaders, the male missionaries in the order of seniority in the Mission.

The Annual Sermon was preached by President Irwin from I Peter 3:15; "Be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear;" and from I Thessalonians 5:21; "Prove all things; hold fast that which is good."

The Session adjourned with the benediction.

On 23rd October 1896, at 10 A.M., Mr. Graham conducted a service on the subject, "The Year Past; Thanksgiving."

At 3 P.M. Mr. Tedford conducted a service on the subject, "The Year to Come; Requests for Prayer;" and

At 8 P.M. a Song Service was conducted by Mr. Hannum.

Second Session.

The Second Session met at 10 A.M. 24 October 1896. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Seiler. Members were present as at the First Session.

The Minutes of the First Session were read amended and approved. The Minutes of the Twenty-third Annual Meeting were read.

President Irwin presented his Report of Circular Business, thus: The following Motions were carried. J. M. Irwin, President.

Owing to the departure of the Goheens to the United States of America, Moved: That the Seilers be stationed at Kolhápur from the middle of March, 1896.

Kolhápur, December 11, 1895.

As it is probable there will be an unused balance under Class V of the Panhálá appropriations, owing to the absence from work of two masters; Moved: That we ask the Board to allow a grant of rupees five each per month from this Class towards the support of the two Christian boys Luke and Ánanda while attending the Kolhápur High School, the motion to take effect from November 15, 1895 to May 1, 1896.

Board action May 2 1896

Kodoli December 17, 1895.

Moved: That the Principal of the High School be granted permission to transfer in the appropriations for the current year an amount not exceeding rupees fifty from items "Current Expenses" and "Special Items" to item "Salaries."

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Kolhápur January 13, 1896.

Moved: That Mr. Simonson be chosen as a member of the Auditing Committee in the place of Mr. Goheen who is leaving for the United States of America.

Kolhápur February 27, 1896.

Whereas: The Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (a body corporate and politic constituted by an act of the Legislature of the State of New York in the United States of America passed on the seventeenth day of April 1862

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being Chapter No. 187 – and entitled "An Act to incorporate the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America") being desirous that all properties held by the Missions under its care or by persons connected therewith upon trust for the Board, → has requested that they be transferred to the Board in its corporate name; therefore Resolved: That the Treasurer of the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India be and hereby is empowered and directed to transfer to the aforesaid Board all immovable properties in the Presidency of Bombay owned by the Board but now held in the name of the Mission

April 3. 1896.

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covered by Board action July 6

Moved: That the questions on which the judgment of the Western India Mission is requested by the Board in its action of February 17. 1896, be answered as follows:

Question 1 Is Panhálá a suitable place for a permanent station? Answer. No.

Question 2 If not, can the work on that field be satisfactorily superintended from some other Station? Answer, No.

Question 4 What would be the expense of the transfer? Answer, Rupees 8000. See Minutes of last Annual Meeting.

Panhala April 3. 1896.

my letter to missionaries June 12 1896

Moved: That in view of the urgency of our needs we respectfully request the Board not to defer action on the estimates relating to property sent in with the Minutes of our last Annual Meeting, but to consider them at once, giving due respect to the order of preference indicated.

April 3. 1896.

Board action July 6, 1896

As it is probable that the rupees 900 granted by the Board for land at Islámpur cannot be used for that purpose before the present Mission year closes, Moved: That we ask the Board to continue the said amount in the Panhálá appropriation for the coming year.

Panhálá April 6, 1896.

Moved: That Bábáji Ránabhise be employed as a teacher at Kuralápa to take effect from April 1, 1896.

Panhálá, March 19, 1896.

Board action July 6

Moved: That the questions on which the judgment of the Western India Mission is requested by the Board in its action of February 17, 1896, be answered as follows:

Question 3 If both the preceding questions are answered in the negative what other places does the Mission recommend for the location of the Station? Answer, Islámpur or some neighboring place.

Question 5 Is it practicable and wise to consolidate Miraj and Sángli Stations? Answer, No.
Panhálá April 3, 1896.

Moved: That Mr. Tedford and family be allowed to spend the Rains in Miraj in order to assist in the work there.
Panhálá May 21, 1896.

Moved: That Miss Irwin be allowed to spend the Rains in Miraj to assist in the work there.
Panhala, May 21, 1896

Moved: That the High School be discontinued at the close of the present school year, in October, 1896.
Kolhapur, July 10, 1896.

M.W. Resolved: 1 That the cut of rupees 12,000,
D ordered by the Board on the appropriations for the present fiscal year be distributed among the Stations in proportion to their appropriations (exclusive of the rupees 275 for Sanitarium at Maháblеshwar), as follows: Kolhapur Rs 4073; Ratnágiri Rs. 1601; Panhálá Rs 1464; Sángli Rs. 2824; and Miraj Rs. 2028.
2 That the Stations through their Treasurers report as soon as possible to the Mission Treasurer on the forms supplied by him the reduction by Classes in the amounts granted them by the Board.
Sángli August 12, 1896.

Reports of Stations were called. Mrs. Ferris read the General Report of Kolhápur Station and Mr. Wilson the Statistical Report.

After intermission Mr. Hannum read the General and Statistical Reports of Ratnágiri Station. Miss Sherman read the General Report and Mrs. Tedford the Statistical Report of Panhálá Station. Mr. Simonson read the General and Statistical Reports of Miraj Station.

On motion the Statistical Reports were referred to a Committee consisting of the Secretaries of the Stations.

Moved: That the General Reports be referred together with the Minutes of the Stations to Committees of two each for the several Stations for examination and report. The Motion was amended by substitution to read: That the Reports as read be approved with liberty to the Stations to make minor changes subject to the sanction of the Mission. The Motion was thus adopted.

Personal Reports were called. Mr. Hannum, Mrs. Wilder Miss Wilder, Mrs. Ferris, Miss Brown, Miss Minor, Miss Jefferson, Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Hannum and Mr. Wilson read their Reports. Mr. Irwin read Mrs. Irwins Report.

The Session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Seiler.

On Sabbath 25, October 1896, at 11:30 A.M. a church service was held, at which Mr. Simonson preached from the 131st Psalm.

Third Session.

The Third Session met at 10 A.M. 26 October, 1896. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Simonson. Members were present as at the Second Session except Miss Patton who was absent on account of illness.

The Minutes of the Second Session and of intervening religious services, were read, amended and approved.

A motion to correct the preamble of the Circular Motion of April 3, 1896, on Transfer of Property, was deferred till Miscellaneous Business.

Personal Reports were again called: Mrs. Seiler, Miss Sherman, Miss Irwin, Mr. Seiler, Mr. Graham, Mrs. Tedford, and Mr. Irwin read their Reports.

Reports of Committees were called. Mr. mr. Simonson presented the Report of the Auditing Committee, thus: The Auditing Committee would respectfully report that they have audited the accounts of the Mission for the year ending April 30, 1896. On motion the Report was accepted.

Mrs. Ferris presented the Report of the

Publishing Committee, thus: Your Committee on Publishing beg to report that to the best of their ability they have carried on the work of editing and managing "_Indian Notes_" without expense to the Mission. No other work has been assigned to them this year. On motion the Report was accepted.

Mr. Hannum presented the Report of the Committee on Boundaries. On motion the Report was received and made the order of the day for Friday 30 October, at 10:30 A.M.

Miscellaneous Business was called. Portions of the Board's Letter of 13 July 1896, putting questions to the Mission concerning certain Stations were read. On motion the questions were taken up _seriatim_.

On motion the Mission resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the whole question of Panhálá Station, and Mr. Wilson was appointed Chairman of the Committee. After consideration the Committee rose, and Mr. Wilson as Chairman reported progress.

After intermission Mr. Wilson was appointed Secretary _pro tempore_. On motion the Mission was resolved into the Committee of the Whole to continue the discussion of Panhálá Station, and Mrs. Ledford was appointed Chairman of the Committee.

When the Mission again convened, President Irwin took the Chair, and Mr. Hannum again acted as Secretary. Mr. Hannum as Clerk of the Committee of the Whole presented the Report of that Committee, recommending replies to the Board's four questions concerning Panhála Station. They were after amendment adopted as follows:

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(a) Could the property now owned at Panhála be sold, and if so, for about what price? Answer. The Panhála property could probably be sold to the King of Kolhápur, and we will open negotiation with him and ascertain the amount he would give us, provided he is willing to buy, if the Board instruct us to do so; but the Mission are unanimously of the opinion that it would be very unwise to dispose of the property.

(b) Is there any Mission use, particularly in the Summer, to which the property could be put which would justify the Board in continuing to hold it? Answer. The Board would be justified in retaining the property at Panhála as a sanitarium. In case we sell the Panhála property it will be necessary to buy some other place as a sanitarium.

(c) In that event, what expense would be involved in the proper care of the property? Answer. It would require about rupees 200 a year for care and ordinary repairs. On this answer Mr. Tedford voted No, and asked his vote to be recorded.

(d) Would the removal of the missionaries now connected with the Panhála Station involve the erection of an additional missionary residence for them at some other Station? Answer. It would require the erection of another missionary residence, if a new station be chosen for the Panhála field.

On motion the Board's second question, concerning Islámpur, was referred to a Committee, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Tedford, Miss. Sherman, Miss Brown, Mr. Hannum and Mr. Seiler, to formulate an answer, to report on 27 October, 2:30 P.M.

On motion the third main question, concerning Sángli and Miraj, was laid on the table till the arrival of Dr. Wanless.

On motion it was ordered to appoint a Committee of two to consider the question of the disposition of the Mission Library.

The Session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Graham.

On 26 October 1896, at 8 P.M. Mr. Wilson conducted a service from Joshua 1:1-9.

Fourth Session

The Fourth Session met at 10 A.M. 27 October 1896. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Tedford. Members were present as at the Third Session.

The Minutes of the Third Session were read, corrected and approved.

The President appointed as the Committee on the Mission Library Messrs. Seiler and Graham.

Mr. Simonson read his Personal Report.

On motion the Minutes of the several Stations were referred to Committees of two each for their examination. The President appointed the following Committees

Kolhápur,	Mr. Graham,	Miss. Sherman;
Ratnágiri,	Mr. Seiler,	Miss. Brown;
Panhálá,	Mr. Simonson	Mrs. Ferris;
Sángli	Mr. Hannum	Miss. Patton;
Miraj.	Mr. Wilson	Miss. Jefferson.

On motion the following rule was adopted: At each Annual Meeting the Minutes of the several Stations shall be referred to Committees of two each for their examination. (Amended, see page 24)

Moved: That a Committee of two be appointed to prepare the Rules, and such past actions of the Mission as may be deemed to have the force of rules, for printing. On motion this question was laid on the table.

Mr. Wilson made a request from the Auditing Committee that if any member of the Mission is in doubt about the correctness of a Mission charge he will indicate this when submitting his accounts to the Committee.

Moved: That on account of trouble with her eyes and want of a pandita for some time Mrs. Irwin's first examination in the Maráthi Language be deferred for six months from the expiration of her first year in the Mission. Carried.

Mr. Graham read the Report of the Examining Committee, thus: The Examining Committee respectfully beg to report that on 26 September, 1896, Misses Sharp and Ferguson of the Zenana, Bible and Medical Mission presented themselves for the preliminary examination in the Maráthi Language as required by our Constitution. Both passed.

Mr. Seiler read a petition from Bhiváji Subhánaji Kále, requesting employment. A motion to refer the petition to Kolhápur Station was laid on the table. On motion the Secretary was instructed to inform Bhiváji that the Mission does not see its way clear to give him employment.

After intermission Mr. Graham was absent—

to meet his daughter at Kolhápur. Miss Patton was present.

The Order of the Day was called, viz. the Report of the Committee on an Answer to the Board concerning the opening of a station at Islámpur. Mr. Tedford presented the Report containing the following recommendations, which were adopted:

First: That the Mission reply to the following effect. While we believe that, as already stated, there should be a station at Islámpur or some neighboring place, we have not at present the necessary details of information to specify the particular town that should be chosen. Hence we cannot now give the itemized statement of probable cost, as requested by the Board.

Second: That Panhála Station be requested before the next Annual Meeting to gather all needed information concerning Islámpur, and the neighboring towns, by observation on the ground, by placing an Indian Agent there and by collation of statistics.

A motion was carried that when we do adjourn we adjourn to meet on Friday 30 October at 10 A.M.

A motion was carried that the religious service appointed for the next day be held at 3:30 P.M.

Miss Patton read her Personal Report.

Mr. Seiler read a petition from Vithala Ápáji Hajári asking relief in view of approaching famine. A motion to answer the petition in the affirmative was lost.

On motion Rule No. 8 on the Course of Study in Boarding Schools was amended by the insertion, after the first sentence, of "But the lowest three Standards of Schedule D shall be used in the Girls' Boarding School". (Further amended; see page 26.)

On motion the following Rule was adopted: In statistics of attendance of pupils in Sabbath or day schools the average number shall always be stated.

The Session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Tedford.

On October 28, 1896, at 3:30 P.M. Mr. Seiler conducted a service from Romans 8:23.

Fifth Session

The Fifth Session met at 10 A.M. 30 October 1896. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Irwin. Members were present as at the Fourth Session except that Mrs. Graham was absent, and Dr. and Mrs. Wanless were present.

The Minutes of the Fourth Session and of intervening religious services were read, corrected and approved.

On motion a recess was taken till 2:30 P.M. on account of meeting of Presbytery; and the Order of the Day, already appointed was set for that time.

After recess Mrs. Graham was present.

The Order of the Day, the Report of the Committee on Boundaries was read and on motion was taken up *seriatim* It contained two recommendations, the first including eight proposed rules. The first Rule was considered.

The Session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Simonson.

On 30 October 1896, at 8 P.M. Miss Minor conducted a Bible Reading on the subject of "Divine Healing."

Sixth Session

The Sixth Session met at 10 A.M., 31 October 1896. Prayers were conducted by Dr. Wanless. Members were present as at the close of the Fifth Session, that is all the members who were on the field.

The Minutes of the Fifth Session were read and approved.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Boundaries was resumed. Recommendations as adopted were as follows: First: That a map be prepared to the consideration of Rule 4. President Irwin appointed Mr. Hannum to the Chair.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Dr. Nevius's Method etc. was resumed and continued through Rule 4.

Dr. Wanless presented the Report of the Committee on Rule 3 as follows: In view of the fact that at present there are no medical helpers in Mission employ and after the re-opening of the Miraj Medical work, all organized medical work for a year at least is likely to be confined to that Station, where it is probable mostly non-Christians will be employed; and in view also of the fact that classes for the training of Christian medical assistants within the Mission have not yet been organized: Your Committee recommends that it be considered inexpedient to establish a standard and scale of pay for Christian medical assistants until the Miraj Hospital has been properly manned with Christian assistants and the work with Christian medical assistants permanently organized; meanwhile the number and pay of medical assistants employed to be provided for in the estimates. The Report was adopted.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Dr. Nevius's Method etc. was resumed and continued to and that it be extended to include the whole of the Southern Maráthi Country, Ratnágiri District, Goâ Territory, and the fields occupied by contiguous missions; that the names of stations and out-stations occupied by said missions be marked on the map; that no Mission boundaries be marked on the map; and that the unoccupied territory be considered as our field only as we are able to occupy it; and that we consider it our duty so far as possible to enter fields not already regularly and permanently worked by other Missions.

Second: That the following Rule be adopted: In order to the recommendation of any town to the Board for the establishment of a Station the town shall be ascertained to be at least twenty miles distant in a straight line from the nearest residence of any European Protestant missionary, and no work shall be done by this Mission in any town or village (except the City of Kolhápur) which is at the time of the adoption of this Rule occupied by a resident member or Christian agent of any other Protestant Mission, except by invitation from such mission. In case of a conflict of claims between this Mission and a neighboring Protestant mission, a given town shall be considered as belonging to that Mission adjacent thereto which has for the longest time conducted uninterrupted and regular work in that town.

Third: That for the preparation of the list of towns with their respective advantages for occupation as ordered by the Mission, the Committee be continued with one more member added to it; that only towns of 5000 or more in population be included; that this Committee be instructed to prepare the map ordered by the Mission; and that the places named in the list be placed on the map this map to be submitted to the Mission for approval.

The Whole Question of internal Boundaries of the Mission was laid on the table. The Seventh Rule proposed by the Committee, viz., "Since the Kanarese Language is not used by this Mission, the boundaries of this Mission shall not be regarded as a prohibition to neighboring Protestant Missions which ordinarily use that Language from working in that Language within those boundaries;" was laid on the table.

On motion Dr. Wanless was added to the Committee on the Map.

Mr. Graham presented an oral Report of the Property Committee.

Mr. Graham presented the Report of the Committee on the Minutes of Kolhápur Station, that they were examined and approved

Mr. Seiler presented the Report of the Committee on the Minutes of Ratnágiri Station. On motion the Report was referred back to the Committee for correction.

Mr. Simonson presented the Report of the Committee on the Minutes of Panhálá Station, with two recommendations but they were not adopted.

Mr. Hannum presented the Report of the Committee on the Minutes of Sángli Station, that they were examined and approved.

Mr. Wilson presented the Report of the Committee on the Minutes of Miraj Station that they were examined and approved.

On motion the Committee on the Mission Library was instructed to report by circular as soon as possible.

On motion the Amendment of Rule 8 adopted at the Fourth Session was reconsidered.

After intermission Mrs. Wanless was absent.

The Amendment to Rule 8 was amended to read thus: That Rule 8 on the Course of Study in Boarding Schools be amended by the insertion, after the first sentence, of "and the three first Standards of Schedule D, Anglo-Vernacular, the Course in Schedule D to be optional and the Principal to decide what scholars.

may pursue it." The Amendment was thus adopted.
(Further amended. See page 26)

On motion the Mission went into Committee of the Whole to consider the answer to the Board's question concerning Sangli and Miraj Stations, Mr. Wilson being appointed Chairman of the Committee.

On the Mission's again convening, the Secretary presented the Report of the Committee, with the following recommendations, which were adopted:

First: That a Committee be appointed to draft a statement of the Mission's reasons for the opinion that Sangli and Miraj Stations should not be consolidated;

Second: That Mr. Seiler, Mr. Graham, and Mr. Simonson constitute that Committee.

Moved: That the Rule adopted in the Fourth Session on examination of Station Minutes be amended by the addition of "and the Committee shall record their reports as approved by the Mission in the Station's books."

On motion the amendment was laid on the table.

The Session adjourned with prayer by Dr. Wanless.

On Sabbath, 1 November 1896, at 11:30 a.m. a Sabbath-school Class was conducted by Miss Sherman from I Kings 5: 1-12; and at 4:30 P.M. the Lord's Supper was celebrated, being conducted by Mr. Tedford and Mr. Hannum.

Seventh Session

The Seventh Session met at 10 A.M. 2 November 1896. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Hannum. Members were present as at the Sixth Session.

The Minutes of the Sixth Session and of intervening religious services were read, corrected and approved.

Mr. Seiler presented the Report of the Locating Committee. The following recommendations as amended were adopted:

First: That Mr. Hannum and family be transferred to Kolhápur;

Second: That Miss Irwin be stationed at Panhálá;

Third: That Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Wilson be stationed at Ratnágiri, and that they be permitted, if they think advisable, to spend the next Rainy Season at Miraj for the sake of experience in the Hospital, and

Fourth: That the transfer of Miss Annie L. Sharp of the Zenana, Bible and Medical Mission, from Ratnágiri to Miraj till the close of the year 1897, as nurse in the Mission Hospital be approved, and that her salary and expenses, as allowed by that Mission, be provided out of the appropriations for Miraj Hospital.

Included in Min- of Estimate

Mrs. Tedford was excused from the Session.

A motion to allow Mrs. Irwin to go to Miraj for three months was laid on the table for the present.

President Irwin appointed Mr. Hannum to the Chair and presented the Report of the Committee on Dr. Nevius's Method and Standard and Scale of Pay for Mission Agents, giving (1) information, (2) reasons for Dr. Nevius's Method, (3) reasons for adopting a standard and scale of pay, (4) recommendations of certain principles of Dr. Nevius's Method for adoption and (5) recommendation of a standard and scale of pay for adoption.

After intermission President Irwin resumed the Chair.

On motion the recommendations of the Report were considered *seriatim*, reserving final action till all should be considered. The first three recommendations were considered.

The Session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Simonson.

On 2 November 1896, at 8 P.M. Dr. Wanless conducted a service on the New Year.

Eighth Session

The Eighth Session met at 10 A.M. 3 November 1896. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Graham. Members were present as at the Sixth Session.

The Minutes of the Seventh Session were read, corrected and approved.

Mr. Graham read the General and Statistical Report of Sangli Station. The former was on motion approved. The latter was referred to the Committee on Statistical Report.

Mr. Tedford read his Personal Report.

On motion the Personal Reports of the members as read, were approved.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Dr. Nevius's Method etc. was resumed. President Irwin appointed Mr. Hannum to the Chair. The Fourth Recommendation was considered.

After intermission Mrs. Tedford was absent.

President Irwin appointed Mr. Hannum to the Chair.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Dr. Nevius's Method etc. was continued to the First Rule of the Eighth Recommendation. On motion the further consideration of the Report was deferred till the next morning.

President Irwin resumed the Chair.

On motion the Rule adopted in the Fourth Session on the examination of Station Minutes was amended by the addition of the words, "and the action of the Mission thereon shall be entered in the Station Minute Book, and signed by the Mission Secretary."

A communication from the Presbytery of Kōlhápur requesting action concerning employment of lay preachers or Catechists was read. A motion to adopt a rule in accordance therewith to take effect from 1 May 1897, was laid on the table.

On motion Baijúbai Thákur and his daughter Sonibai were transferred from Panháḷá to Miraj.

It was moved to allow Miraj Station to reemploy Mr. Isaac Abraham as compounder in the Hospital.

The Session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Tedford.

Ninth Session

The Ninth Session met at 10 A.M. 4 November 1896. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Wilson. Members were present as at the Sixth Session, except that Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Wanless, Miss Sherman and Mrs. Hannum were absent.

The Minutes of the Eighth Session were read, amended and approved.

Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Wanless and Mrs. Hannum were excused from the Session

President Irwin appointed Mr. Hannum to the Chair.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Dr. Nevius's Method etc. was resumed and continued to the Second Rule of the Eighth Recommendation. On motion further consideration of the Report was deferred till the Missions policy in the Boys Boarding School should be further determined. A motion to amend Rule 8 and to appoint a Committee on certain subjects connected with the Boys' Boarding School was discussed.

After intermission Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Wanless, Miss Sherman and Mrs. Hannum were present and Mrs. Tedford was absent. President Irwin was in the Chair.

Mr. Seiler presented the Report of the Committee on the Minutes of Ratnagiri Station, that they were examined and approved

President Irwin appointed Mr. Hannum to the Chair. The consideration of the motion to amend Rule 8 and to appoint a Committee was resumed, and was adopted as follows: That Schedule II of the Government Code be added to the Course of Study used in the Boys' Boarding School; and that a Committee be appointed to prepare a scale of fees to be charged in the School.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Dr. Nevius's Method etc. was resumed with the Second Rule of the Eighth Recommendation and continued through the Third Grade of the Fourth Rule. On motion the Third Rule on Qualifications for the Second Class was referred to a Committee, consisting of Dr. Wanless, to report the next day at 10:30 A.M.

President Irwin resumed the Chair, and the Session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Seiler.

On 4 November 1896, at 8 P.M. Mr. Seiler conducted a service from Psalm 19:7.

Tenth Session

The Tenth Session met at 10 A.M. 5 November 1896. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Seiler. Members were present as at the Sixth Session, except that Mr. Graham and Mrs. Tedford were absent.

The Minutes of the Ninth Session were read and approved.

A change was made in the Minutes of the Fourth Session.

The President appointed as the Committee on Scale of Fees for the Boys' Boarding School Messrs. Graham and Wilson.

The Order of the Day, the Report of the Committee on Rule 3 recommended by the Committee on Dr. Nevius's Method etc., was on motion deferred till the completion

Rule 9

On motion Rule 5 was referred to a Committee of the ladies of the Mission to report the next day at 10:30 a.m.

After intermission Mr. Graham was present and President Irwin was in the Chair.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Dr. Nevius's Method etc. was resumed and continued to completion with the Ninth Recommendation, that recommendation being laid on the table, and with the renewed consideration of Rule 1 of the Eighth Recommendation as originally numbered. The final vote on the recommendations was on motion deferred till the Committee on Rule 5 should report.

The consideration of the Motion made in the Eighth Session concerning Mr. Isaac Abraham was resumed. It was amended and adopted as follows: That Miraj Station be allowed to re-employ Mr. Isaac Abraham as compounder in the Hospital at thirty rupees a month.

Mr. Graham read the Report of the Committee on Formulation of an answer to the Board concerning Sángli and Miraj Stations. On motion it was referred back to the Committee for certain alterations.

Moved: That Dr. Wanless be authorized to correspond with the Secretary of the Mission to the Lepers in India and the East with a view to the establishment of a leper asylum in the vicinity of Miraj with the understanding that in the event of the establishment of such an institution the Mission shall not be expected to bear any part of the cost of its establishment or support. Carried

The Session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Wilson

Eleventh Session

The Eleventh Session met at 10 A.M. 6 November 1896. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Wilson. Members were present as at the Sixth Session, except that Mr. Graham was absent.

The Minutes of the Tenth Session were read, amended and approved. Mr. Graham came in.

The Order of the Day, the Report of the Committee on the Fifth Rule recommended in the Report of the Committee on Dr. Nevius's Method etc. was called. Mr. Ferris presented the Report recommending amendments to the recommendations of the Committee on Dr. Nevius's Method etc. Those amendments were considered throughout

The Question of the adoption of the recommendation of the Committee on Dr. Nevius's Method etc. was considered and President Irwin appointed Mr. Hannum to the Chair.

The following were adopted: First: That every man be urged and as far as practicable required to "abide in the same calling wherein he was called."

Second: That every Christian be urged and expected to strive to bear clear witness to Christ and labor for the extension of the Gospel voluntarily and without pay in his own neighborhood - according to Christ's command and the example of the early Church; and that the Mission depend more and more upon such voluntary service for Christ.

Third: That at first groups of Christians in separate villages be formed into classes with leaders chosen from among themselves; and later when the local Christian community grows stronger, that Churches be organized and elders ordained, such leaders and elders to serve without pay until such time as the Church shall be able to call and support its own pastor.

Fourth: That the Mission employ agents paid entirely by the Mission to supervise the work under the missionaries, and other agents only when paid in part by native funds, all to be under a regular scale of pay with definite qualifications.

Fifth: That Churches be advised to incur only such expenses from the first as they are able to meet themselves, especially for Church buildings, and that the Mission hereafter ask for appropriations for the erection of buildings for evangelistic purposes in Mission Stations and only in places where suitable buildings can not be rented.

On the Fourth Recommendation Mr. Tedford requested his negative vote to be recorded.

After intermission the following recommendations were adopted:

Sixth: That native Christians be urged in all cases of need to appeal for help to their own Churches first and not to the Mission or missionaries, and the Churches to provide a Church fund to be used in such cases at the discretion of the Church Session or Board of Trustees or Committee of Deacons.

Seventh: That the following Rules on Standard and Scale of Pay for Mission Agents be adopted:

1 The Classification and Monthly Salaries of Agents shall be as follows:

Classes		Grades			
		Fourth	Third	Second	First
First	Preachers	Rs. 7	Rs. 8	Rs. 9	Rs. 12
Second	Teachers	7	8	9	12
Third	Bible Women	5	7	9	10

2 The requirements for admission to service in the First Class, viz. Preachers shall be as follows:

Fourth Grade

1st Local Evangelist under Presbytery.

2nd Examination by a Committee of Presbytery on Biblical and Church History.

3rd Passing at least four Government Vernacular Standards.

4th Examination by the same Committee on general experience in preaching and on ability to preach.
5th Examination by the same Committee on Ancient Brahmanism.
6th Recommendation by the Station from which the candidate comes.

Third Grade

1st Licensure as a local evangelist
2nd Examination by the same Committee on Biblical Theology.
3rd Third Government Service Examination or its equivalent.
4th Examination by the same Committee on general ability
5th Examination by the same Committee on Modern Hinduism
6th Three years' faithful and approved service as a preacher of the Fourth Grade.

Second Grade

1st Licensure as a local evangelist.
2nd Examination by the same Committee on Biblical Prophecy
3rd Second Government Service Examination or equivalent on examination by the same Committee

4th Examination by the same Committee on general ability

5th Examination by the same Committee on Mohammedanism.

6th Four years' faithful and approved service as a preacher of the Third Grade.

First Grade.

1st Licensure to preach, by Presbytery.

2nd Examination by a Committee of Presbytery in the entire Maráthi Bible.

3rd Matriculation in a University or equivalent on examination by the same Committee.

4th Examination by the same Committee on Modern Religious Movements in India, Parseeism and other Faiths.

5th Examination by the same Committee on general ability

6th Five years' faithful and approved service as a preacher of the Second Grade.

3 The requirements for admission & service in the Second Class, viz. Teachers, shall be as follows:

Fourth Grade.

1st Certificate of Church Session as to good and regular standing

2nd Examination before the respective stations on Biblical History in Marāthi

3rd Passing Four Vernacular Standards.

4th Approval of the Station.

Third Grade

1st Certificate of Church Session as to good and regular standing.

2nd Examination before a Committee of Presbytery on Biblical Theology in Marāthi.

3rd Third Government Service Examination or equivalent

4th Examination by a Committee of Presbytery on Hinduism.

5th Three years approved service as a teacher of the Fourth Grade.

Second Grade

1st Certificate of Church Session as to good and regular standing

2nd Second Government Service Examination or equivalent

3rd Examination by a Committee of Presbytery on Mohammedanism

4th Four years approved service as a teacher of the Third Grade.

First Grade

1st Certificate of Church Session as to good and regular standing

2nd Examination before a Committee of Presbytery on the English or Marathi Bible, on selected topics in Apologetics, and on methods of personal work with students.

3rd Matriculation, or University School Final Examination of the University of Bombay or equivalent.

4th Examination on Indian Religions other than Hinduism and Mohammedanism.

5th Five years' approved service as a teacher of the Second Grade.

4 The requirements for admission to service in the Third Class, viz., Bible Women, shall be as follows:

Fourth Grade

1st Certificate of Church Session as to good and regular standing

2nd Letter from the Mission's Committee on Bible Instruction for Women showing that the candidate has passed an examination on first years' course from Genesis to Deuteronomy.

3rd ability to read Balabodha easily

Third Grade

1st Certificate of Church Session as to good and regular standing

2nd. Certificate of Mission's Committee on Bible Instruction for Women showing completion of four years' course; Genesis & Deuteronomy Joshua & II Samuel, Luke and Acts.

3rd Approval by the Station.

4th Passing Five Vernacular Standards

5th Three years' approved service as a Bible Woman of the Fourth Grade.

Second Grade

1st Certificate of Church Session as to good and regular standing.

2nd Romans, Church History easy Manual of Hinduism

3rd Approval by the Station

4th Passing Six Vernacular Standards

5th Three years' approved service as a Bible Woman of the Third Grade

First Grade

1st Certificate of Church Session as to good and regular standing

2nd Biblical Prophecy

3rd Elements of Indian Religions

4th Diploma from Christian Girls' Boarding School or equivalent

5th Four years approved service as a Bible Woman of Second Grade.

5 The First Class shall be open to men only, the Third to women only and the Second on equal terms to both sexes. A person may be appointed as an agent or transferred from one Class or Grade to another only by vote of the Mission on recommendation of the Stations, Sessions or Presbytery as they are named in the requirements except that in case of teachers of the Fourth Grade a vote of the Station only shall be necessary. All certificates shall be presented to the Station, Session or Presbytery and if satisfactory shall be regarded as equivalent to examinations in the subjects concerned. The Station, Session or Presbytery may refuse to examine any candidate who has failed within a year. The Mission reserves the right to reject any candidate for general unfitness, for lack of appropriations or for sufficiency of agents.

6 Service with another Mission to be accepted as fulfilling a requirement must be certified by the Mission, Station or Missionary under whose charge he was employed. The salary of an agent of the First Grade may in special circumstances be increased by vote of the Mission.

A candidate may be promoted for extraordinary faithfulness by special vote of the Mission.

7 All agents in the Mission's service immediately before May 1, 1897, shall from that date be ranked in the Fourth Grade of the appropriate Class, but the last continuous period of such previous service shall for the purpose of promotion be regarded as in the Fourth Grade, except that the Bible Women thus previously employed shall be ranked in the Third Grade. A Bible Woman of the Fourth Grade shall always work either with a Bible Woman of higher grade or with a missionary lady.

8 In addition to the salaries specified in Rule 1 the following allowances only shall be granted

1st A married man shall have an allowance of three rupees a month.

2nd Actual expenses incurred on journeys authorized by the Mission or Station, but not including food, clothing or household furniture.

3rd Residence in the Konkan two rupees a month

4th Each child under eight years of age two rupees a month.

5th Illness in special cases not to exceed five rupees, with the approval of the Station.

No allowance shall be given for house rent, water, or for pupils passing in school.

If the house occupied by an agent be owned by the Board one rupee a month shall be deducted from the agent's salary.

9 In case of censure inflicted upon an agent by a judicatory of the Church to the extent of suspension from any office or from the communion he shall be immediatily dismissed and the dismissal shall be notified by the Secretary of the Station to the whole Mission.

Eighth: (recommendation) That these Rules go into effect on the first day of May 1897, and that all previous actions in conflict with these Rules be repealed at the same time.

The recommendation concerning the printing of the Rules, which was laid on the table in the Tenth Session was taken up, amended and adopted as follows: That the Publishing Committee be instructed to print one hundred copies of these Rules on Standard and Scale of Pay for Mission Agents and the principles adopted from Dr. Nevius's book in English for use of the members of the Mission.

It was voted to appoint a Committee of two to draft a letter from the Mission to the Native Church on self-support

Mr. Simonson presented the Report of the Committee on Formulation of an Answer to the Board concerning Sángli and Miraj Stations. The Report was adopted, the vote by yeas and nays being as follows:

Yea: Mrs. Wilder, Mr. Seiler, Mrs. Seiler, Mr. Graham, Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Ferris, Mr. Tedford, Mrs. Tedford, Miss. Patton, Miss. Wilder, Dr. Wanless, Miss Sherman, Mr. Irwin, Miss. Irwin, Mr. Simonson, Miss. Brown and Mr. Wilson. Total 17.

Nay: Mr. Hannum, Mrs. Hannum, Miss. Minor, Miss Jefferson. Total 4.

On motion the Committee on Fees in the Boys' Boarding School was instructed to prepare a scale of fees for the Christian Girls' Boarding School, and the names of Mr. Irwin, Dr. Wanless, and Mr. Tedford were substituted for those of Messrs. Graham and Wilson.

It was voted to hold a night session at 8 o'clock instead of the religious service already appointed.

On motion Mrs. and Miss Wilder were excused, at their request, from the remainder of the meeting.

The Session adjourned with prayer by Miss. Patton.

Twelfth Session

The Twelfth Session met at 8 P.M. 6 November 1896. Members were present as at the Sixth Session except that Dr. and Mrs. Wanless and Mrs. Irwin were absent.

The Minutes of the Eleventh Session were read, amended and approved.

The Motion made in the Fourth Session, to appoint a Committee of two to prepare the Rules and such past actions of the Mission as may be deemed to have the force of rules for printing, was ~~then~~ taken from the table and carried.

The President appointed the following Committees: On Letter to the Native Church, Mr. Seiler and Miss Wilder; and on Preparation of Rules, etc., Messrs. Hannum and Wilson

President Irwin appointed Mr. Simonson to the Chair, and presented the Report of the Committee on Fees in Boarding Schools. Its recommendations were amended and adopted as follows:

First: That the following scale of fees be charged in the Boys' Boarding School:

a Anglo-Vernacular Course

Standard	VII	Annas	6
"	VI	"	6
"	V	"	4
"	IV	"	4
"	III	"	3

Standard	II	Annas	3
"	I	"	3

b Vernacular Course

Standard	IV	Annas	2
"	III	"	2
"	II	Anna	1
"	I	"	½
Primary Class		"	¼

Second: That the following scale of fees be charged in the Girls' Boarding School:

a Anglo-Vernacular Course

Standard	III	Annas	3
"	II	"	2½
"	I	"	2½

b Vernacular Course

Standard	V	Annas	2
"	IV	"	1½
"	III	Anna	1
"	II	"	1
"	I	"	½
Primary Class		"	¼

Third: That the fees be charged monthly.

Fourth: That if parents or guardians cannot pay the fees, the Churches to which the pupils belong be urged to help.

Fifth: That when the Industrial Department is opened, it be optional with the students and their parents whether the fees are paid in money or in manual labor.

Sixth: That those pupils who take the Vernacular Course above the Fourth Standard shall pay the same fees as the corresponding Standards of the Anglo-Vernacular Course.

Seventh: That the scale of fees go into effect at the beginning of the school year in November, 1897.

On motion the following Rule was adopted: If any pupil in a Boarding School fails for three consecutive months to pay the fees, he shall be dismissed from the School.

President Irwin resumed the Chair.

Mrs. Tedford presented a Petition from the Committee on Bible Instruction for Women. In accordance therewith the following Motion was passed: That the women of our Mission be appointed a Committee to be called the "Mission's Committee on Bible Instruction for Women.

Moved: That Mrs. Wilder and Miss Wilder be permitted to go to America the coming Spring, about the first of April. Carried. sailed Nov. 1887

Moved: That the Board be requested to

allow Mr. and Mrs. Tedford to send their son Arthur to America in the Spring of 1897. Carried.

Moved: That the Publishing Committee be instructed to print certificates as prepared by the Mission's Committee on Bible Instruction for Women. Carried.

Portions of the Board's Circular Letter of 28 September 1896, were read, and in accordance therewith the following two motions were passed:

1st: That Dr. Wanless be instructed to answer the Board's inquiry concerning Comity in regard to medical expenses, and

2nd: That the Secretary be instructed to inform the Board concerning the Mission's Rule on Personal Teachers.

Moved: That no perquisites be paid to any teacher for the passing of pupils in schools. Carried.

Dr. Wanless came in

Mr. Hannum offered his resignation as Corresponding Secretary of the Zenana, Bible and Medical Mission on account of his removal from Ratnágiri to Kolhápur Station. On motion he was requested to withdraw his resignation, and he did so.

A Motion was made: That the Mission permit any lady of the Mission to take famine children, if brought unsolicited, with the possibility that they will be taken over and supported by the Board in future.

The Session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Graham.

Thirteenth Session

The Thirteenth Session met at 10:05 A.M. 7 November 1896. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Tedford. Members were present as at the Sixth Session, except that Mrs. Wilder, Mrs. Tedford, Miss. Wilder, Mrs. Wanless, and Mrs. Irwin were absent.

The Minutes of the Twelfth Session were read and approved.

The Motion on the taking of famine children made in the last Session was considered and after amendment was adopted thus: That the Mission permit any lady of the Mission to take famine children with the possibility that they are to be taken over and supported by the Board in future; and that the Mission ask the Board for permission to establish an orphanage.

Mr. Seiler presented the Report of the Committee on Statistical Reports of Stations, containing Js. four Recommendations which were adopted as follows:

First: That according to the Board's Letter of September 28 we adopt for use the Annual Tabular View sheets sent out by them.

Second: That this year we omit the financial statement required for lack of data to fill it in uniformly.

Third: That we instruct the Station Secretaries to prepare their Station Statistical Reports according to the interpretation of the headings determined in Committee, and to hand them to the Chairman of the Committee who shall combine them on one sheet with a summary of the whole as indicated on the back.

Fourth: That hereafter the records of all contributions by natives and foreigners be kept entirely distinct.

Mr. Seiler reported that the Committee on Letter to Native Church was not ready to report. On motion the Committee was instructed to report by circular as soon as possible.

Mr. Hannum reported that the Committee on Preparation of Rules was not ready to report. On motion the Committee was instructed to report by circular as soon as possible.

Mr Seiler presented a supplementary Report of the Locating Committee containing two

Recommendations, which were on motion referred back to the Committee

On motion the Secretary was instructed to reply to the Presbytery of Kolhápūr that in accordance with its request the Mission has adopted a new set of Rules; and to request the Presbytery to appoint an Examining Committee as therein contemplated, before the first of May 1897.

On motion Rule 4 of the Seventh Recommendation connected with the Report of the Committee on Dr. Nevius's Method etc. was amended by substitution in the Fourth and Third Grades, for the designation of Committees there used, of the title the "Mission's Committee on Bible Instruction for Women.

Mr. Seiler presented a petition from Sámuvela Bhiváji Kále asking employment. On motion the Secretary was instructed to inform him that the Mission does not see its way clear to grant his petition.

Mr. Hannum presented a petition from Rámchandra Jhingáde asking increase of pay. On motion the Secretary was instructed to inform him that the Mission does not see its way clear to grant his petition.

Estimates were called

Moved: That we hear the estimates from all the Stations and then consider them item by item

Carried.

Mr. Seiler presented Estimates for Kolhapur Station.

On motion recess was taken till 2:30 P.M.

After recess the first reading of estimates was dispensed with, and they were considered by Classes. On the item in Class III of Ratnagiri, "one ordained man for Vengurle", Mr. Graham requested his negative vote to be recorded.

On motion a recess of ten minutes was taken.

The consideration of Estimates was resumed. On motion the time of adjournment was extended to 5:30 P.M.

The Estimates as adopted were as follows:

Mr. Seiler and Miss Patton were on motion excused from the meeting.

Included in Estim. a/c D

Moved: That in view of the promise of a gift by Mr. John H. Converse towards the erection of a Second Bungalow at Miraj, the Mission request the Board to make a special appropriation of the amount contributed by Mr. Converse in the present fiscal year in order that work on the building may be begun during the present Cold Season. Carried.

On motion the Secretaries of the Stations were appointed a Committee to report thi~~s~~ same evening recommending an order of preference of new property and of new missionaries asked in the estimates.

Moved: That the discontinuance of perquisites to teachers take effect at the same time with the new Rules on Scale of Pay. Carried.

On motion recess was taken till 8 P.M.

When the Mission again convened at 8 P.M. Mr. Seiler presented the Report of the Committee on Order of Preference in Estimates. On motion it was considered seriatim. The Order was decided as follows:

For New Property

1 School-house and Dormitory at Sángli

2 Girls' School-house at Kolhápur.
3 Bungalow at Miraj
4 Land for Chapel at Miraj
5 Bungalow at Sángli
6 Cemetery and Wall at Ratnágiri
7 Transfer of Children's Hospital at Miraj

For New Missionaries

1 Industrial Man at Sángli, Mr. Jolly
2 Trained Nurse at Miraj
3 Lady Physician at Kodoli, Miss Dr. Field
4 Ordained Man at Ratnágiri
5 Ordained Man at Vengurle
6. Two Ladies at Kolhápur.

Moved: That the Stations be considered competent to determine what fees may be charged in vernacular schools until the next Annual Meeting of the Mission. Carried.

Officers were elected as follows:

President	Mr. Irwin
Secretary	Mr. Hannum
Treasurer	Mr. Graham
Member of Auditing Committee	Miss. Patton
" " Publishing "	Mrs. Ferris
" " Examining "	Mr. Graham
" " Arrangement "	Miss Brown

Member of Property Committee   Mr. Tedford.

The Minutes of the Twenty-fourth Annual Meeting were read, corrected and approved.

On motion the Secretaries of the Stations were directed to present the Minutes to the Mission Secretary for entry of the Mission's judgment.

Board action Dec 21

On motion Kolhapur Station was allowed to correct its Minutes in the matter of request for children's allowance for Mrs. Ferris.

On motion the Twenty-fourth Annual Meeting adjourned — President Irwin leading in prayer.

William H. Hannum,
Secretary.

COPY

Mahableshwar, India,
20th April, 1896.

Rev. A. J. Brown, D.D., Secretary,
New York.

Dear Brother;--

Permit me to communicate to the Board through you, two motions of the Mission giving replies to some of the questions put to us by the Board in its action of the 17th February last. Enclosed is a copy of the motion.

I would add that the questions numbered 3 and 5 are still under consideration.

Respectuflly yours,
(Signed), William H. Hannum,
Sec'y. Am. Presb. Mission in W.I.

COPY MOTIONS.

Moved that the questions on which the judgment of the Western India Mission is requested by the Board in its action of February 17th, 1896, be answered as follows:

"#L. Is Panhala a suitable place for a permanent station? No
"#2. If not, can the work on that field be satisfactorily superintended from some other station? Answer No.
"#4. What would be the expense of the transfer?
Answer, Rs. 8,000 (See Minutes Annual Meeting).

Moved, that in view of the urgency of our needs, we respectfully request the Board not to defer action on the estimates relating to property sent in with the Minutes of our last Annual Meeting but to consider them at once giving due reqpect to the order of preference indicated.

The above motions were declared carried 18th April, 1896.

Attest, William H. Hannum.
Secretary.

COPY

Mahableshwar, India.
8th May, 1896.

Rev. A. J. Brown, D.D., Secretary.
New York.

Dear Brother;--

With reference to the questions numbered 5 and 3 that, in my letter of 20th ult., I told you were still under consideration I beg to transmit to you herewith a copy of the sections of a motion giving answers to those questions.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed), William H. Hannum,
Sec'y. AM. Presb. Mission, W.I.

COPY MOTIONS.

Moved, that the questions on which the judgment of the Western India Mission is requested by the Board in its action of February 17th, 1896, be answered as follows:

3. If both the preceding questions are answered in the negative, what other places does the Mission recommend for the location of the stations? Answer, Islampur or some neighboring place.
5. Is it practicable and wise to consolidate Miraj and Sangli Stations? Answer No.

The above answeres were declared carried 5th May, 1896.

Attest, William H. Hannum,
Secretary.

COPY

Mahableshwar, India, May 11th, 1896.

Dear Dr. Brown;--

Allow me a word concerning the Mission's negative reply to the Board's late question No. 5 on the consolidation of Miraj and Sangli Stations. The vote in favor of consolidation was small. I think not more than four. I am surprised at this, for I have heard no adequate reply to the thought that no two stations should ever be maintained at a distance of only five miles, with no physical barrier between. The chief reasons for the negative answer of the Mission seem to be (I) a habitual dislike of change and (2) a fear of injuring the feelings of two or three members identified with those stations. As to the value of such considerations the Board may judge.

Inclosed is a sketch map traced from a school map issued by Government. I have marked the Mission's boundaries as they seem to be generally understood. It is expected that precise boundaries will be adopted at the next Annual Meeting, as a Committee is now considering that subject. Perhaps a practical way to view the boundaries will be to observe the distances to surrounding stations by other Protestant Societies, as I have indicated on the map. The great point to notice is that in our large field, four of our five stations are closely grouped in a small area in the northern central part. This cannot be defended on the ground so far as I know. I think that you will join me in deprecating this arrangement of forces. The main question then is what is the Board going to do to remedy this arrangement? And the immediate question is, what is the Board going to do with the present proposition to remedy the worst feature of this unfortunate arrangement?

This question is momentous for the future of the Mission. I pray that the Board may be guided to the right decision.

Yours cordially,

(Signed), William H. Hannum.

COPY

Kolhapur S.M.C.,India,
March 3rd,1896.

Rev. A.J.Brown,D.D.,
Sec.Board of Foreign Missions.

Dear Dr.Brown;--

Your letter of February 25th, came to us on March 24th Being addressed to the Rev.J.M.Goheen,we did not open it until several days later, after being told that the different stations had the letter with several questions . We then immediately open it and have thought upon it.

As the members of our station, with the exception of Rev.E.M Wilson and myself are all away and as it seems best to reply immediately, and as I was at Lanhala for nearly fifteen years, I attempt to answer the questions about Panhala. As to the questions:-

1. Is Panhala a suitable place for a permanent station? I answer no.

(a) The work has not grown in Panhala. The work there was never very great,but being on a hill surrounded by many small towns and hamlets it afforded ample opportunity of reaching many people. We lived there from February 1880 until my husband's death in March 1894 (and I until November of the same year). By walking I was able systematically to reach 13 villages regularly and of course my husband on a pony was able to go much further. The Lord gave the increase, not there but off to the East in Kodoli.

(b) The property was originally purchased by Rev.E.G.Wilder as I understand, as a place of retreat when the health of the missionaries, and the heat of the plains made a change desirable. Although our predecessors, the Rev.J.P.Graham and family lived there throughout the whole year, from 1875 to May 1899, and we with our little ones and Miss Patton lived there rain and shine from 1980 until 1889 when we went to America, it seems the general opinion that the rain is too wet and the clouds too damp for proper exercise during the months from June 1st to October 1st. While the average rain fall for 21 ~~days~~ years was only 53 inches, Panhala being a little over 3000 feet above the sea level, it is the lack of sun light and constant fog which make it peculiarly trying. After our returnat the beginning of 1891, my husband was assigned work elsewhere in the rains,so for his last three years rains we were not there.

(c) The converts whom from time to time have been baptized there, had to seek work elsewhere as there was no work for them in the Mission nor outside and now the church members are almost all household servants who go away when the missionaries goes.

(d) The out stations though only a few miles away are not easy of access (for lack of made roads), at any time, and much less so during the rainy motnhs.

Question 2. If not, can the work on that field be satisfactorily superintended from some other station? No.

(a) Kolhapur is the nearest station and lies to the Southeast of the Panhala spur of the Western Ghats, while Kodoli, Ayatavadi etc.,lie to the Northwest. (See map in "Church at Home and Abroad" of April 1890, or "Indian Notes" facing page 16,1895). The approach then would be circuitous and in the rainy season sometimes impassible as there are only cart and cattle paths which become flooded.

(b) Kolhapur with its limited supply of men has all it can do to look after its own field, though Panhala town itself could be under Kolhapur.

Question 5. If both the preceding questions are answered in the negative, what other places does the Mission recommend for the location of the station? Answer, Islampur.(See Minutes and Estimates of our Annual Meeting of October,1893, and "Indian Notes" of December 1893 page 63).

Persoanlly I can only say that it is a town of nine or ten thousand people, and on several sides are towns of from four to six thousand. Neither Kodoli nor Aytavadi is so surrounded. My husband had studied the matter and I believe it was at his request that the Mission put in the estimate in 1895. I presume he also wrote a letter to Dr.Gillespie in reference to the plan. I understand his plan to be, to have a new plant at Islampur, retaining Panhala as an out-station and Sanitarium.

Question 4. What would be the expense of the transfer? Answer, about 8,000 Rs.; that is an entire new plant.

Panhala is perhaps dearer to me for its associations than to any one else and I should dislike to see the lovely,restful Mission House sold. Still, if money could buy us another house at Mahsbleshwar let it be sold; but it is necessary for us to have a place where we may go for a change not involving the expense of travel to Mahsbleshwar.

In all honesty I must also refer to the new house at Panhala "Faith Cottage".

The Mission House, where we lived, was always full in the hot season; not only with ourselves but with others who came to Panhala for the season. It was too much. Our whole family had to use one room without place for private study. The idea of our having so full a house was to save paying rent of Rs.1-8-0, a day for a set of rooms in the Traveler's Bungalow. All of us missionaries gave money and a plain little house with two bedrooms, a dining and sitting room was put up and given by word of mouth to the Mission in 1894. It saves rent,except when more go to Panhala than can be properly accommodated in the two houses .

Question 5 and 6 about consolidating Sangli and Miraj certqinly are a surprise. I think I have never heard the questions seriously discussed.

Sangli was providentially opened to us and we entered the door. Then the Christian Boys' School was placed there followed by the Industrial plant. The work is now too much for one ordained man though at the sacrifice of the evangelistic work, a layman could live at Sangli to carry on the scholastic and industrial departments of the school, if plenty of assistants were allowed him and the ordained man could be at Miraj, superintending the two places. Even then combining the two fields, two men would be needed and therefore why not keep two stations and an ordained man at each, with a layman at Sangli as well as the doctor at Miraj.? I do not favor consolidation as I understand the use of the word. I will send you a bound volume of "Indian Notes" for 1895 and an extra copy of December 1893. I believe I sent bound copies of 1893 and 1894 last year.

Believe me in all sincereity,

(Signed), Mrs.Ferris.

COPY

Kolhapur, India, March 30th,1896.

Dear Dr.Brown;--

Mrs. Ferris has written so fully and with so much fuller knowledge of the subjects involved than I have,that it is not necessary for me to say much. I should answer question 1, 2, 5, and 6 as she has answered them. If consolidation of Sangliband Miraj be merely nominal, I see nothing to gain by it. If it involve changes in the property of either place I think it very undesirable.

In regard to questions 5 and 4. I have never seen Kodoli or Islampur or any of that region save as it can be seen from Pnahala But from the "lay of the land" and of the towns I should think that somewhere in that region was the place for a station.

The expense of the transfer would be of course either that of a new plant entire, or that amount diminished by something from the sale of Panhala.

Whether Panhala could be sold is perhaps doubtful, but I think it likely as the King is said to want to have the whole hill for himself. I am not yet fully convinced that it would be a wise thing to sell it in any case; but perhaps it might - a part of the money going for extra accommodations at Mahableshwar and a part to the new station.

Sincerely,

(Signed),Edgar M.Wilson.

COPY

Panhala,India, April 2nd,1896.

My dear Dr.Brown;--

Inclosed you find the action taken by the Panhala Station at a recent meeting. I would add the following by way of explanation:

The vote on number one (I) was based on the decision of the Mission about the year 1893.

On number two(2) Mission work especially in the beginning requires the supervision - on the ground of some missionary.

Number three (3) Islampur is the largest town in the Panhala field and as it is well selected relative to the field, we have chosen it but with the clause following "some neighboring place". ~~Nearly~~ Nerla, a good sized town only about three miles north, is now asit has been for years, worthy of our attention as a Mission Station. Among the reasons more favorable to Nerla than Islampur, are the following:

There we find a nice comfortable Bungalow all ready; which I think might be purchased for Rs.3,000 or rent for Rs.30. per month, especially during the rains. This, it seems,wuld be the most economical transfer; to say nothing about the time and money required in procuring a new site and erecting new and necessary buildings. God grant that fewer missionaries may have to sacrifice spiritual power by supervising treacherous,lazy workmen in the erection of Mission buildings. Nerla,also, has the advantage over Islampur in being only five miles from the Railroad and on the main thoroughfare or fine government road leading from Kolhapur to Persia etc.etc. It also has better building sites and better water to say nothing about our owning a small house used in our work there some years ago.

As regards number 5, we are of the opinion that as the work at Sangli and Miraj are different in some respect and as the property in both places is quite valuable, a consolidation is not advisable.

We would again renew our request that the Board grant the small sums asked to enlarge the Kodoli Bungalow and wall up the wall. Contract with the work and people require our living in Kodoli during the rains. But this considering our numbers is hardly advisable in such small quarters. And the long tank like well does need a wall to kepp the muddy water out/ Two small comportable Bungalows are really needed in our large Panhala field.

Yours Truly,

(Signed), T.B.Tedofrd.

P.S. In the inclosed the question of the Board contained in the letter of February 25th,1896,the Panhala Station would reply as follows:

1. No.
2. No.
3. Islampur or some neighboring place.
4. The cost of a Bungalow,school house and helper's house.

We consider it of the highest importance that the property at Panhala be not transferred but also for the work of the theological class and the Bible classes carried on during the hot season. Evangelistic work is also a part of the hot season work at Panhala.

5. No.

(L.B.Tedford).

COPY

Mahableshwar, India,
April 21st, 1896.

Rev.Arthur J.Brown,D.D.,
New York,City,U.S.A.

Dear Dr.Brown;--

Yours letter of February 25th,1896, to the Western India Mission has been received. We were rather surprised by the questions therein raised concerning the consolidation of Miraj and Sangli Stations. We regret exceedingly that these questions,as well as those concerning Panhala Station, could not have reached us earlier so that the Board's consideration of our Mission estimates would not be dependent upon Mission action taken in the middle of the year.

As to the question of consolidation of Miraj and Sangli Stations,Miraj Station vot to assure question number 5 of your letter,in the negative. Though Dr.Wanless is not in India at present, I am sure that he fully agrees with me in this and if in Indis would concur in such a vote.

As the estimates of our new property in Miraj were given among the first places in the Mission order of preference, and as we expect soon to be able to send the Board Mission action on this matter would it be possible for the Board to defer the consideration of the Mission estimate estimates for new property until they can consider the estimates of Miraj at the same time? If you think such a step as this would be wise,it would injure no other Station but would insure Miraj Station estimates being considered on an equality with other Stations and according to the wishes of the Missions.

I am now enjoying the delightful climate of our Sanitarium/ I trust that the weeks spent here may prepare me both bodily and spiritually for greater efforts when I return to Miraj.

Very sincerely yours,
(Signed),G.H.Sinomson.
Sec'y.Miraj Station.

COPY

Sangli,India, April 1st,1896.

To the Rev.Arthur J.Brown,D.D.,Secretary.
156 Fifth Avenue,New York, U.S.A.

My dear Dr.Brown;--

I am instructed to advise you of the following actions which were taken at our last meeting:

"RESOLVED: 1st. That number five (5) of the questions on which the Mission is asked by the Board in its action of February 18th 1896, ne answered by Sangli Station, in the nagative.

"RESOLVED: 2. That this Station asks the Board to defer the consideration of requests and estimates relating to property at all the stations of the Western India Mission until the Mission has been heard from on this question.

With kind regards,

Yours respectfully,
(Signed),J.P.GrahamSecretary.
Sabgli Station.

COPY

Mahableshwar, May 8th, 1896.

Rev.Arthur JLBrown,D.D.,
Secretary,156 Fifth Avenue,N.Y.

My dear Dr.Brown;--

The official letter of the Secretary of the Mission advising you of the action of the Mission giving answers to some of the Board's questions on which the judgment of the Mission was asked would of necessity show that for some reason the answer to question 5 was deferred. As I intimated in my letter of April 23rd the natural inference that you would make would be that on this question the Mission were more or less in doubt and required further consideration before they could arrive at a final decision. I showed you that this inference,though a perfectly natural one,would be wholly incorrect for the answer proposed to it, had received exactly the same support as the answers to the other questions that had been communicated to you. The motion in reference to this question (concerning the consolidation of Sangli and Miraj), has now been circulated a second time and not a vote has been changed. You see then that there was nothing to justify a second circulation. It has, however, emphasized the fact that the Mission are decided in their opinion and practically unanimous. Now this being the case I want to ask you to especially callthe attention of the Board to the action lately taken and communicated to you: "Moved, that in view of the urgency of our needs we respectfully request the Board not to defer action on the estimates relating to property sent in with the minutes of last Annual Meeting but to consider them at once giving due respect to the order of preference indicated". The Board time and again have urged us to show the order of importance in our opinion of the buildings asked for. For years the Mission have asked for an addition to the school room and dormitories of the Boys' Boarding School and a Bungalow at Sangli and for at least three successive years they have given the first place to the school room and dormitory.

I am here only until Monday to have the Auditing Committee examine my accounts for the year and have no time to write further now. I write this much now to catch the mail at the last moment to beg of you that you will not simply pass by this, the Mission's repeated request,especially emphasized at this time (as has been done heretofore), for it takes away all encouragement of our work. The education of our Christian Boys is a branch of our work that has repeatedly put forward as not a bit the most important part of the work we have to do. I am sorry I have not time to write more carefully and fully.

With kind regards, I am,
In haste, yours cordially,

(Signed), J.P.Graham.

COPY

Ratnagiri, India,
April 23rd, 1896.

Rev. A. J. Brown, D.D., Secretary,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York. U.S.A.

My dear Dr. Brown;--

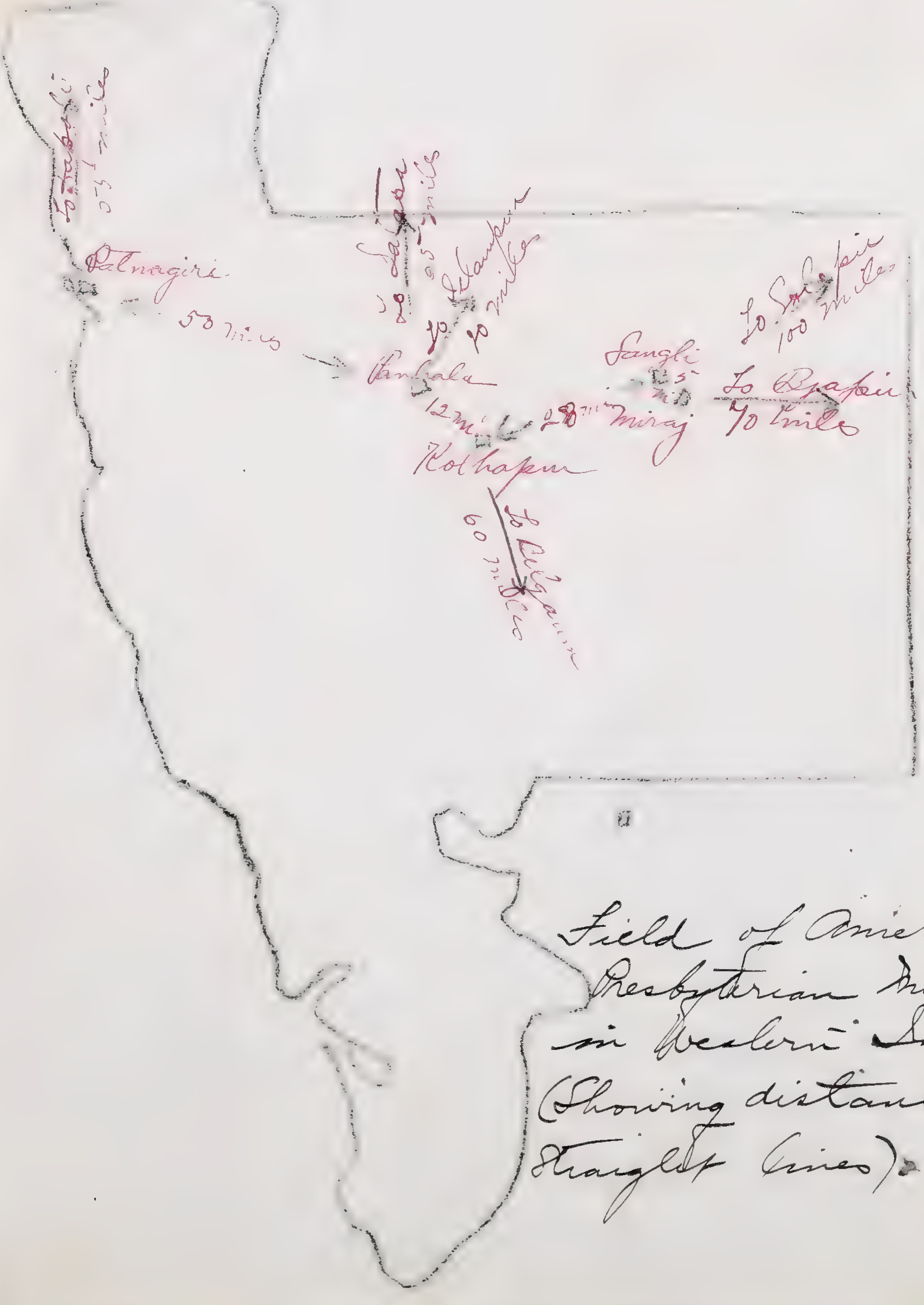
You will doubtless be advised of an official letter from our Secretary that the Mission by a formal vote has answered some (Nos.1,2 and 4(, of the questions on which the Board in its action of the 17th February last, asked the judgment of the Mission. The fact that no answers are given to the other questions yet (Nos.3 and 5), might naturally lead you to suppose that the mudgment of the Mission on these two questions was doubtful or seriously divided. This would be an error, and to keep you from entertaining such a mistaken view I wish first to say a few words in explanation.

The answer proposed to question 3 and submitted to all the members of the Mission for their votes, was, "Islampur, or some neighboring place". Opposed to this answer was but one vote. The answer proposed to question 5 was "no." Opposed to this answer there was only two votes; the same member voting in opposition as before, and being joined by his wife. The same member voted in opposition to the answers proposed to all the questions except 1. So you see that the questions 3 and 5 received the same support as the other questions that were declared "carried". Why then were they not declared "carried" also? Because our Constitution, as you can see from the Minutes of our last Annual Meeting, gives any member the right to call for a second circulation of any question brought before the Mission by circular. This one member has called for a second circulation of the answers proposed to questions 3 and 5. I think it is due to the Mission, that you should be kept from receiving the impression that the Mission, are in doubt about these questions and want time for further consideration- hence this explanation.

I do hope that you will grant the appropriations asked for Sangli for additions to the school rooms and dormitories of the Christian Boys' Boarding School, as soon as you receive official notice of the action of the Mission on your question in relation to the consolidation of Sangli and Miraj. Although it is right that you should wait for that action, still you have a virtual answer, to this question in an action which has been taken as follows:

"Moved that in view of the urgency of our needs we respectfully request the Board not to defer action on the estimates relating property sent in with the Minutes of our last Annual Meeting but to consider them at once giving due respect to the order of preference indicated". The vote on this motion would have been unanimous had not the one member who voted in opposition on the other questions before us at the same time voted against this also. The need of the addition asked for school house and dormitory is so great that the Mission has been asking for them for years and for the lastthree years at least they have given this object the first place in the order of preference In order that you might see the urgency for this appropriation, may I ask you to please read again what I say about the matter in my report of the Boarding school, presented at the last Annual Meeting? If these considerations then presented do not have the desired effect and secure the appropriations asked, I feel that it would be useless to say anything further, especially as the Mission now again sanctioned and emphasized this object as having special claim to the support of the Board by passing the motion referred to. The need of a second Bungalow at Sangli will be apparent if only you will consider a few facts. (I) There are more native Christians and more Christian families at Sangli, belonging to the place than at any other station. (2) There is no other field where the people are more accessible andtthat possesses better facilities for touring in the districts, e.g. one can reach more than three times the number of people in a month's touring, than he could in the Ratnagiri field. (3) The missionary at Sangli has the Boarding School on its hands. I am the Treasurer of the Mission, which gives me a great deal of work that takes much of my time I have had the work of the Property Committee on my hands for the last three years, e.g. personally seeing to the roofing of Mr.Douglas' making all the calculation for the timbers and iron sheeting etc. making the plan of the roof and superintending the execution of the work, without the assistance of an engineer or otherskilled workmen. These things that I have mentioned are in addition to the ordinary work of a missionary at any of our stations such as conducting Sabbath and week day services, instructing native helpers overseeing native catechists and superintending and examining schools,etc.etc. Surely you can see that another man is needed at the station but two families cannot live in one house at Sangli more than they can any where else. (4) There is not another Bungalow in Sangli to be rented. At Kolhapur and Ratnagiri, Bungalows can be rented as many as required at any time and at Panhala there are two Mission Bungalows. Miraj is in this respect like Sangli. (5) The Mission has aksed for Bungalows at Sangli, Miraj and Vengorla,but it has given the preference to Sangli and Miraj and nonone,I think, who will look at the needs and possibilities of the whole field will doubt that it has acted wisely in doing so. I must close to catch the mail. I hope you will excuse the evident haste with which I am finishing this letter, and not allow the carelessness (apparant), with which it is finished to detract from consideration of its contents.

With kind regards,
Yours most Coddially,
(Signed),J.P.Graham.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Field of American Presbyterian Mission in Western India (Showing distances in straight lines).

Dr. Loheens answers given me personally May 6

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1 - No

2 - Yes but not with present force ~~but a new station at Islampur.~~

3 Islampur - far as a new station here - 30 miles from Pankala

4 Could not rent as it is a native town, no English within 30 miles. Would have to buy & build every thing used. Cost would depend on price land - materials would probably have to be brought from outside

5 & 6 - Could be consolidated without injury - headquarters at Miraj (over)

but not feel that a man
ought not be
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THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. S. A.
53 FIFTH AVENUE.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY.

New York, June 25th, 189.

To the Western India Committee.

Dear Brethren;--

Inquiries of the Board to which the inclosed letters from the field reply:

"In view of the questions which have been raised regarding certain Stations of the Western India Mission, the Secretary in charge was requested to ask the judgment of the Western India Mission regarding the following questions:

1. Is Panhala a suitable place for a permanent Station? No

2. If not, can the work on that field be satisfactorily superintended from some other Station? No

3. If both the preceding questions are answered in the negative, what other places does the Mission recommend for the location of the Stations? Islampur - (1 negative vote)

4. What would be the expense of the transfer? Rs 8,000

5. Is it practicable and wise to consolidate Miraj and Sangli Stations? no (4 voted Yes)

6. If so, what plans does the Mission propose regarding the missionaries' property and work involved by the change?

Pending the final decision of the Board and Mission on these questions, it was deemed expedient to defer the consideration of requests and Estimates relating to property in the Stations concerned". (Actions taken February,17th,1896).

AUG [illegible]

Minutes OF
THE
Twenty-fifth Annual
Meeting
OF
Western India

SUMMARY of MINUTES
of
25th ANNUAL MEETING of the
WESTERN INDIA MISSION

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Unicode of Thomas Cook & Sons - adopted in addition to the ✓ A.B.C. Code, Fourth edition.

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✓ Miss Graham passed the first year's language examination.

PAGE 20.

"A missionary at any time may employ a personal teacher whose ✓ pay shall not exceed Rs. 150 a year". Does this mean a new missionary only?

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✓ Giving of prizes. Is this at the expense of the Board?

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Annual Meeting to be held at Panhala first Thursday after the ✓ 15th of October.

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✓ Women have right to vote on all subjects.

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In the interest of comity, the Mission not to occupy any town or village which is occupied by an agent of any other Protestant Mission, except by invitation of such Mission.

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Missionary vacations at Mahableshvar. How long? (In north India the men have a month, and the single women six weeks)

"Any sum of money received for mission work by a member from any church, Sabbath-school, society or individual in the United States of America, connected with the Presbyterian Church, shall be promptly transferred to the station treasurer with any directions sent by the giver concerning the object of expenditure. No such gift shall be considered as cause for any excess of expenditure for any object over the Board's appropriation. The Mission recommends that gifts from other sources be likewise transferred to the treasurer when such transfer is consistent with the conditions imposed by the giver."

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"For the purpose of making statistical reports the records of all contributions made to the churches by foreigners shall be kept distinct."

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The publishing of 200 copies of Constitution and Rules, each missionary to receive four copies.

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Committee asked to purchase one copy of Unicode for each Station.

✓ Extra copy of Mission letter for file.

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Where shall the names of Rev. R. P. Wilder and Mrs. Wilder be ✓ inserted in Annual Report?

Mistake in Annual Report by which the church was credited with ✓ Rs. 1.950 instead of Rs. 16

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Outfit allowance - Mission regards present allowance as ✓ necessary.

✓ Length of furlough in India.

The disapproval of the general policy of dependence on permanent ✓ investments in the work of the Board referred to a Committee.

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✓ Freight and travel.

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Branch of the Training Institute asked from the Edinburgh ✓ Medical Society.

New missionaries.

✓ Transfer of Dr. [illegible] to Miraj. Why?

25th Annual Meeting

The Twenty fifth Annual Meeting of the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India convened in the Mission Bungalow occupied by Mr. Irwin, at Kolhapur, at 8 P.M. 14 December 1897, in pursuance of the appointment made by the President.

Present

President Irwin called the meeting to order and after the singing of a hymn opened the meeting with prayer. The roll was called. There were present Dr. and Mrs. Seiler, Mr. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Goheen, Miss [illegible], Mr. and Mrs. Tedford, Miss Patton, Miss Sherman, Dr. and Mrs. Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. Hannum, Mr. and Mrs. Jolly, Miss Minor, Miss Jefferson, Mr. Simonson, Miss Brown, and Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Wilson, total 22.

Mrs. Wilder, Mrs. Graham, Miss Wilder and Miss [illegible] were absent having left the field for America, and Dr. and Mrs. Hanlee, Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Wilson and Miss Foster also were absent, total absent, 9.

Report of Com on Arrangements

Mr. Wilson presented the report of the Arrangement Committee which was adopted as follows: In submitting its report the Arrangement Committee would say that they have to the best of their ability provided for the accommodation of all the members of the Mission. The order of the business of the Annual Meeting and so that all may find themselves comfortable. The Committee recommends 2

Morning Prayers

First that morning prayers be held at 10 a.m. as follows:

Thursday	December	16	Mr. Seiler
Friday	"	17	Mr. Graham
Saturday	"	18	Mr. Goheen
Monday	"	20	Mr. Tedford
Tuesday	"	21	Dr. Wanless
Wednesday	"	22	Mr. Hannum
Thursday	"	23	Mr. Irwin
Friday	"	24	Mr. Jolly
Saturday	"	25	Mr. Simonson

Second, that devotional meetings be held as follows:

Tuesday	December	14	8 P.M.	Opening Sermon,	Mr. Simonson
Wednesday	"	15	10 a.m.		Mr. Jolly
			3 P.M.		Mr. Goheen
			8 P.M.	Song Service,	Mr. Seiler
Friday	December	17	8 P.M.		Mr. Hannum
Sunday	"	19,	11:30 a.m.	Communion Service, Mr. Goheen and Mr. Irwin	
Monday	December	20	8 P.M.		Dr. Wilson
Wednesday	"	22	8 P.M.		Mr. Tedford
Friday	"	24	8 P.M.		Dr. Wanless

Third, that business meetings be held daily from 10 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. with intermission from 12:30 to 2:30 P.M. the first session to be held Thursday December 16 and the first half hour of each session to be set apart for morning prayers.

Fourth, that sessions be held in Mrs. Ferris's Bungalow which she has kindly placed at the disposal of the Committee for this purpose.

Annual Sermon

The Annual Sermon was preached by Mr. Simpson from Galatians 6:2, "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfil the law of Christ."

The session adjourned with the benediction.

On 15th December 1897 at 10 A.M. Mr. Jolly conducted a service on Lessons from the Healing of the Paralytic Mark 2:1–12.

At 3 P.M. Mr. Goheen conducted a service on "Fellowship with God", 1 John 1:3.

At 8 P.M. Mr. Seiler conducted a song service speaking especially from Acts 16:25.

Second Session

The second session met at 10 A.M. 16 December 1897. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Seiler. Members were present as at the first session and Dr. Wanless also was present.

The minutes of the first session and of intervening mission services were read and approved. The minutes of the Twenty fourth Annual Meeting were read.

Circular business

President Irwin presented the report of circular business thus: The following circular motions arranged in chronological order according to the dates when they were originally moved have been carried since the last meeting of the Mission.

medical app. of Rs 375 requested

Moved: That the Mission ask the Board in accordance with paragraphs 27 and 50 of the Board's Manual for a special appropriation of 375 rupees to supplement the appropriation available in Ratnagiri Station under the head of Medical Allowances in order to meet the special expenditure for medical attendance in Mrs. [illegible] late severe illness.

Ratnagiri, December 26, 1896.

Miss Irwin's travel.

Moved. That an amount sufficient to cover the traveling expenses of Miss Rachel Irwin from India to America be included in this year's estimates, her furlough being due this fall.

Panhala, February 8, 1897.

[illegible] Recd June 3 [illegible]

Moved: That the consideration of the motion in regard to asking for another grant of ladies from the [illegible] Mission be postponed until the next Annual Meeting and That the [illegible]

5 Medical Mission be requested to send a new group of four workers for the Konkan.

Kolhápur 20 February, 1897.

Transfer of appropriation

Voted: That rupees 500 be transferred from the appropriation under Class VI of the Vánhála Station to the same class in the Miraj Station in order to meet the additional cost of carrying on the work incurred by the payment of Miss Shaw's salary out of the Class VI appropriation at Miraj

Miraj, February 23, 1897.

Printing "Principles of Nevius' Method"

Voted: That the Publishing Committee be excused from printing the "Principles" of the "Nevius Method" and the Rules on standard and scale of pay for mission agents, as ordered by the Mission at our last Annual Meeting; and that we accept the offer of the Committee to furnish each station with a manuscript copy of the Principles.

Kolhápur, March 12, 1897.

Mrs. Graham's return

Voted: That we ask the Board for an appropriation for the return of Mrs Graham to the United States in the [illegible] 1898.

Mahábleshwar April 17, 1897.

Bedford School

Voted: That the Secretary of Ratnágiri Station be instructed to inform Mr. [illegible] that the Mission does not see its way clear to comply with his request in [illegible] taking charge of the Bedford [illegible] English

6 School.

Ratnagiri, April 24, 1897.

Voted: That Miss Rachel Irwin be transferred to Ratnagiri from the date of the passage of this motion until she returns to America in October 97.

Miss Irwin at Ratnagiri

Ratnagiri May 2 97.

Whereas Vadala Station has taken action in reference to the appropriations for that Station to give up 1000 rupees of Class VI to be deducted from the entire amount of the cut in our Mission appropriation and this leaves a balance of 16307 rupees; Voted: That this amount be distributed among the several stations by a pro rata cut in their appropriations, as follows; viz. Kolhapur Rs 3,900. Ratnagiri Rs 1898; Panhala Rs 1613; Sangli Rs 4760. and Miraj Rs 4136.

Cut in Stations

Sangli May 29. 897.

Voted: That Messrs. Seiler, [illegible] and Wilson be appointed a Committee to take charge of the 500 dollars (Rs 1655-2-0) received from the Christian Herald Famine Fund and that they be and hereby are authorized to send it for disbursement by missionaries only to places in India where famine undoubtedly exists and where they are led to believe by correspondence or otherwise the money will be used in accordance with the expressed wishes of the

Famine Fund

promoters of and the contributors to the Christian Herald Fund.
Sangli, July 10, 1897.

Mrs. Graham's furlough

Moved: That Mrs. Graham be allowed to return to the United States as soon as it is possible to make arrangements for the journey.
Sangli, July 23, 1897.

Moved: That the sum of $666.06 received from the Societies of Christian Endeavor of Iowa for famine relief

Iowa famine relief

be distributed equally among the stations of this mission to be used according to the judgement of the stations; and that the stations be requested to transfer unused balances not desired to a committee consisting of Messrs. Seiler, Hannum and Wilson to be distributed where need exists.
Kolhapur, August 20 1897.

Mission meeting place change

Moved: That the Constitution, Article IV, Section 1, be suspended in order that the place of mission meeting this year be changed from Panhálá to Kolhápur.
Kolhapur, September 1, 1897.

Annual meeting postponed

Moved: That the Constitution, Article IV, Section 1, be suspended in order to postpone the annual meeting of the mission, of 1897 to convene at a time to be appointed by the President.
Kolhapur, 30 September, 1897.

Term of Girls' [illegible]

Moved: That Rule 26 be suspended in order to permit the first term of the Girls' Boarding School to begin October 20, 1897, and to close February 17, 1898.
Kolhapur October 1, 1897.

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Term of Boys' School

Moved: That the rule in reference to the vacation in the Boarding Schools be suspended in order to allow the Principal of the Boys' Boarding School to continue the School in session during the time for the usual vacation in October and November, and in lieu thereof to close the School for the hot season vacation a month before the regular time.

Sángli, October 13, 1897.

Mr. Hannum's furlough

Moved: That the Board be requested to permit Mr. Hannum and family to go to America on furlough in advance of the regular time on account of the health of the family leaving the field about March first 1898.

Kolhápur, October 21, 1897.

Dr. & Mrs. Wilson at Miraj

Moved: That the motion allowing Dr. and Mrs. Wilson to remain at Miraj until after Mission meeting be laid on the table.

November 13, 1897.

Mr. & Mrs. Irwin at Panhála

Moved: That the motion allowing Mr. and Mrs. Irwin to remain at Panhála until after Mission meeting be laid on the table.

Miraj, November [illegible], 1897.

Station reports approved

Station reports were called. [illegible] read the annual report of Kolhápur Station [illegible] which was approved. [illegible] read the station [illegible]

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of Kolhapur Station. Moved, that all statistical reports of stations be referred to a committee of two to harmonize them before they are read before the Mission. Carried.

After intermission the President appointed as the committee on statistical reports Messrs. Hannum and Simonson.

Com. on Statistical Rep.

Miss Brown read the general report of Panhala Station. On motion it was approved.

Miss Jefferson read the general report of Ratnagiri Station. On motion it was approved.

Mr. Graham read the general report of Sangli Station. On motion it was approved.

Dr. Wanless stated that the general report of Miraj Station was not ready.

Personal reports were called. Mrs. Ferris, Mr. Ledford, Miss Patton, Dr. Wanless, Mr. and Mrs. Hannum, Miss Minor, Miss Jefferson and Mr. Irwin read their reports. Mr. Seiler stated that his personal report had by mistake been sent to the secretary of the Board. On motion his statement was accepted. A motion to approve the reports as read was postponed till the remaining personal reports should be heard.

Personal Reports

The session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Seiler.

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Third Session

The third session met at 10 a.m. [illegible] December, 1897. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Graham. Members were present as at the second session.

Examination of Station minutes

The President appointed the following committees on examination of the minutes of the Stations:

Kolhápur	Mr. Graham, Mrs. Tedford
Ratnágiri	Mr. Simonson, Miss Brown
Panhálá	Mr. E. M. Wilson, Miss Minor
Sangli	Mr. Tedford, Mrs. Goheen
Miraj	Mr. Jolly, Miss Jefferson.

The minutes of the second session were read, corrected and approved.

Special app. asked for Julia Seiler's travel.

A motion was carried, that the Mission request the Board to make a special appropriation of [illegible] for the expense of sending Julia Seiler to the United States during the present fiscal year.

Mr. Simonson read the General report of Miraj Station. A motion to adopt it was deferred till the report could be completed.

Personal Rep.

Personal reports were again called. Miss Sherman, Miss Brown, Mr. Simonson, [illegible], Mr. E. M. Wilson, Miss Jefferson, Mrs. Graham and Mrs. A. S. Wilson read their reports. Mr. Wilson read the personal report of Dr. A. S. Wilson also.

Auditing Com.

11 Mr. Wilson reported orally that the Auditing Committee had audited the accounts of the Mission for the past fiscal year. On motion the report was referred back to the Committee to be completed.

Publishing Com — Report

Mr. Seiler read the report of the Publishing Committee, that the certificate for women had been printed at a cost of twenty rupees and that "Indian Notes" had been published without cost to the Mission.

Property Com

Mr. Graham stated that the Property Committee was not ready to report.

Locating Com.

Mr. Seiler read the report of the Locating Committee which was considered seriatim.

Miss Wilson full member of mission

A motion was carried that Miss E. M. Wilson be regarded as a full member of the Mission with all the rights and privileges of such membership.

On motion the intermission was deferred ten minutes.

Location of missionaries

After intermission the consideration of the report of the Locating Committee was resumed. Votes being taken by ballot. The following recommendations were adopted: First, that Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson be transferred to Ratnagiri. Second, that Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson be transferred to Miraj. On this recommendation Mrs. Ferris requested her negative vote to be recorded. Third, that Mr. and Mrs. Kelly be stationed at Sangli in

12. charge of industrial department. Fourth that Miss Fuller be stationed at Miraj. The fifth recommendation, that [illegible] be sent to Ratnagiri to assist the missionaries there, was on motion recommitted that the Committee might communicate with [illegible].

Transfer of Mr & Mrs Irwin — The motion that Mr. and Mrs. Irwin be transferred to Kolhapur was made the order for the next day at 10:30 A.M.

Famine fund report — Mr. Seiler read the report of the committee on distribution of famine funds showing 3,674 rupees and 8 annas distributed.

Mission library — Mr. Seiler read the report of the committee on distribution of the Mission Library with the following recommendation which was adopted: that the books remaining in the mission library be equally divided among the several stations by the present committee, with the exception that the copies of the "Church at Home and Abroad" and other magazines be kept in Kolhapur.

Printing of Rules — Mr. Seiler read the report of the Committee on the preparation of rules for printing. The preamble was taken up in detail and considered.

The session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Graham.

On 17 December, 1897, at 8 P.M. Mr. Hannum conducted

13 a service from I Samuel 20.

Fourth Session

The fourth session met at 9 a.m. [illegible] December 1877. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Fisher. The same were present as at the second session and Dr. and Mrs Wilson were present.

The minutes of the third session were read, corrected and approved.

Irwin to remain at Ratnagiri

The order of the day the motion on the transfer of Mr. and Mrs Irwin was called. It was amended by the substitution of a motion to request Mr. and Mrs. Irwin to remain at Ratnagiri another year, and was then adopted.

Dec. 20 next ~~Comment~~ ~~meeting~~ Session

A motion was carried that when the time of intermission arrives we adjourn to meet on 20th December at 10 a.m.

Personal reports were again called. Mrs. J. S. Wilson read her report.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on Separation of [illegible] was resumed, they being taken up seriatim and final action being deferred till all should be considered.

A motion was carried [illegible] the sessions till the 21st or 22nd of December.

The session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Tedford.

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14 On Sabbath, 19 December 1897, at 11:30 a.m. in the Girls' Boarding School, the Lord's Supper was administered by Mr. Goheen and Mr. Irwin.

Fifth Session

The fifth session met at 10 a.m. 20 December 1897. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Tedford. Members were present as at the fourth session, except that Dr. Wanless was absent and Miss Grove was present.

Reports read

Mr. Simonson stated certain alterations in the general report of Miraj Station. On motion the report was approved.

Mr. Graham read his personal report. On motion all the personal reports as thus far read were approved.

Com. reports

The consideration of the report of the Committee on preparation of rules was resumed.

After intermission the consideration of the report of the Committee on preparation of rules was continued.

The session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Goheen.

On 20 December, 1897, at 8 P.M. Dr. Wilson conducted a service from Acts 1:1-14.

Sixth Session

The sixth session met at 10 A.M. 21 December, 1897. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Hannum. Members were present as at the fifth session except that Mrs. Jolly was absent.

The minutes of the fifth session were read and approved.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on preparation of rules was resumed.

Report of Com. on Rules

After intermission Mrs. Seiler and Mrs. Tedford were absent. The consideration of the report of the Committee on preparation of rules was resumed and continued through the first recommendation. The further consideration of the report was made the order for the next day at 2:30 P.M.

Property Com.

Mr. Graham read the report of the Property Committee, stating additions to buildings at Kolhapur and Kodoli, purchase of land at Islampur, erection of a dwelling at Miraj and repairs at Mahableshwar.

Self support letter

Mr. Seiler presented the report of the Committee on letter to the native church, concerning self-support, stating that the letter had been circulated and had been well received.

16 Communication to Presbytery

Secretary Hannum reported communications made as ordered by the Mission, to the Presbytery of Kolhapur, to R. A. Shingáde, to B. S. Kále and to S. B. Kále.

Com. on minutes of Kolhapur

Mr. Graham read the report of the Committee on the minutes of Kolhapur Station. A motion to adopt the recommendations was laid on the table for the present.

minutes of Stations

The reports of the Committees approving minutes of stations were presented as follows:

On Ratnágiri by Mr. Simonson
" Panhálá " Mr. Wilson
" Sángli " Mr. Tedford, and
" Miraj " Mr. Jolly.

The reports were adopted.

Panhala station's report on mission territory

Mr. Tedford read the report of Panhálá Station on enquiry concerning Islámpur and neighboring towns, stating preparations for placing an agent there, and that the Station was prevented by famine and quarantine from further investigation. On motion the report was thus far approved and the Station was directed to continue the enquiry.

Unicode adopted

On motion the "Unicode" (published by Thos. Cook and Son) was adopted for use by the Mission, in addition to the "A. B. C. Code, fourth edition".

The session adjourned with prayer by Mr. Hannum

Seventh Session

The seventh session met at 10 A.M. 22 December, 1897. Prayers were conducted by Dr. Wanless. Members were present as at the sixth session except that Dr. Wanless was present and Mrs. Goheen was absent.

The minutes of the sixth session were read and approved.

Exam. on Kolhápur minutes

The motion to adopt the report of the committee on examination of the minutes of Kolhápur Station was taken from the table and considered. The report was adopted entire as follows: Your Committee beg to report that they have examined the records of the Kolhápur Station and approve of the same with the exception of the two following actions, viz. a motion recorded in the minutes of June 28, 1897; "Moved, that the pay of agents as designated in the mission rules be considered the limit and not the required allowance to be given until the Secretary receives a decision on the question from the President of the mission." And a motion recorded in the minutes of July 12, 1897; "Moved that the Secretary be instructed to ask for an official decision from the President of the mission as to whether the pay of agents in the Fourth Grade

as designated in the mission rules be considered the
18 limit and not the required allowance to be given."
These actions your Committee regard as irregular for
the following reasons: 1st A point of order on which
an official decision is to be asked of the President
should rise from a question which is actually before the
mission for decision. 2nd Requests for the interpretation
of rules are allowable in case of those rules only which
relate to methods of procedure in conducting business,
commonly known as "rules of order."

Mr. Seiler read the report of the Examining
Language examination ✓+ Committee stating that Mrs. Irwin, Miss Graham and
Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Wilson had passed the first year's
examination, and Mr. E. M. Wilson the second.

Mr. Seiler read a report of the Locating Committee
Location Com. with a recommendation which as adopted was as
follows: That Basantasingha Thakura be transferred
to the Ratnagiri field, this action to take effect on the first
day of March next.

Mr. Wilson read a statement of the Auditing
Miraj accounts Committee concerning the accounts of Miraj Station
for the past fiscal year, this statement being a copy
of the one sent to the Treasurer of the Board.

Mr. Hannum read the report of the Committee
on list of towns and on map. It was voted that the

19 Com. on Maps

recommendations be considered _seriatim_. After consideration of the first recommendation it was _voted_ to make the further consideration of the report the order for the afternoon of the same day and immediately following the report of the Committee on preparation of rules.

"Rules for "Church Judicatories"

The following was adopted. _Resolved_, that the "Rules for Church Judicatories" are applicable to our Mission only so far as they are found in Roberts "Rules of Order".

On motion the _Constitution_, Article IV Section 3, paragraph fifth, was _amended_ to read thus: On points of order not decided by our own rules the Mission shall be governed by Roberts Rules of Order.

Gift of Panhala Station

The following _motion_ was adopted; that the Mission express its appreciation of the generosity of Panhala Station in giving up 1000 rupees of its appropriations to help the cut on the other station appropriations.

After intermission Mrs. Wanless and Mrs. Jolly were present and Mrs. Seiler and Mrs. E. M. Wilson were absent.

The order of the day, the _report_ of the Committee on preparation of rules was taken up. The supplementary report and the main report were considered. Free recommendations were adopted as follows:

Recommendation on Rules

First recommendation, that the following code of rules be adopted.

Examination of Missionaries

1 Each new missionary shall offer himself for the preliminary examination in the Marathi Language within one year, and for the final examination within two years after joining the Mission.

2 In order to pass the examination a candidate shall gain an average grade of sixty per cent. The degree of advancement required shall in general be determined by the course of study specified in the rules, but the examination shall not be limited to the books named.

3 Two dictionaries (English-Marathi and Marathi-English) and a grammar shall be furnished each missionary. A missionary, at any time, may employ a personal teacher, whose pay shall not exceed 150 rupees a year.

New Rule

4 The course of study in Marathi recommended to new missionaries is as follows:

First Year

1 Conversation and dictation exercises from the firs

2 Navalkar's Student's Grammar, Part I

3 First and Second Books of the Bombay Governme

series in Báḷabodha

4 Maráṭhi-English Primer by G. H. Bhide

5 John's Gospel in Maráṭhi

6 New Testament Stories of the Christian Literature Society, for translation from English into Maráṭhi

Second Year

1 Translations from Maráṭhi into English

(1) Third book of Bombay Government series

(2) Báḷamitra, 150 pages

(3) Aesop's Fables, 50 fables

(4) Ten Chapters of Genesis, and the Epistles to the Galatians and Ephesians.

2 Translations from English into Maráṭhi

(1) Pilgrim's Progress to Christian's meeting with Apollyon

(2) Royal Reader No. 3

3 Navalkar's Students Grammar, Part III

4 Moḍi, First and Second Books of the Bombay Government series

5 Reading and writing letters in Báḷabodha character

5 The topics for examination with marks for grading shall be as follows:

First Year

1 Reading Maráṭhi to show pronunciation and fluency 100

2 Oral translation from Maráṭhi to English with

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explanation	50
3 Grammar and Gramatical forms	100
4 Conversation with Examining Committee	100
5 Written Translation from Maráthi to English	50
6 Written Translation from English to Maráthi	100
Total	500

Second Year

1 Reading Maráṭhi	100
2 Oral Translation	
(1) From Maráṭhi to English	50
(2) From English to Maráthi	100
3 Written Translation	
(1) From Maráṭhi to English	50
(2) From English to Maráthi	125
4 Grammar and Gramatical analysis	100
5 Maráthi conversation with native not the candidate's teacher	125
6 Reading Moḍi Character	25
7 Reading a letter in Bálabodha character and sending an answer to the same	25
Total	700

Scale of Pay

6 The classification and monthly salaries of agents shall be as follows:

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Classes		Grades			
		Fourth	Third	Second	First
First	Preachers	7 rupees	8 rupees	9 rupees	12 rupees
Second	Teachers	7 "	8 "	9 "	12 "
Third	Bible Women	5 "	7 "	9 "	10 "

7 Salaries in fourth grade as specified in rule 6 shall be regarded as the limits which shall not be exceeded, the exact amount in each case to be determined by the station.

8 The requirements for admission to service in the first class, viz. preachers, shall be as follows:

Fourth Grade

1 Licensure as local evangelist under Presbytery

2 Examination by a committee of Presbytery on Biblical and Church History

3 Passing at least four Government vernacular standards

4 Examination by the same committee on general experience in preaching and on ability to preach

5 Examination by the same committee on Ancient Brahmanism

6 Recommendation by the station from which the candidate comes

Third Grade

Licensure as a local evangelist

2 Examination by the same committee on Biblical Theology

3 Third Government service examination or its equivalent

4 Examination by the same Committee on general ability

5 Examination by the same committee on Modern Hinduism

6 Three years faithful and approved service as a preacher of the fourth grade

Second Grade

1 Licensure as a local evangelist

2 Examination by the same committee on Biblical Prophecy

3 Second Government service examination or equivalent or examination by the same committee

4 Examination by the same Committee on general ability

5 Examination by the same committee on Mohammedanism

6 Four years faithful and approved service as a preacher of the third grade

First Grade

1 Licensure to preach by Presbytery

2 Examination by a committee of Presbytery.

in the entire Maráthi Bible

25 3 Matriculation in a university or equivalent on examination by the same committee

4 Examination by the same committee on modern religious movements in India, Parseeism and other faiths

5 Examination by the same committee on general ability

6 Five years faithful and approved service as a preacher of the second grade

9 The requirements for admission to service in the second class, viz. teachers, shall be as follows:

Fourth Grade

1 Certificate of church session as to good and regular standing

2 Examination before the respective stations on Biblical History in Maráthi

3 Passing four vernacular standards

4 Approval of the station

Third Grade

1 Certificate of church session as to good and regular standing

2 Examination before a committee of Presbytery on Biblical Theology in Maráthi

3 Third Government service examination or equivalent

4 Examination by a committee of Presbytery on Hinduism

5 Three years' approved service as a teacher of the fourth grade

Second Grade

1 Certificate of church session as to good and regular standing

2 Examination by the same committee on Biblical Prophecy

3 Second Government service examination or equivalent

4 Examination by a committee of Presbytery on Mohammedanism

5 Four years' approved service as a teacher of the third grade

First Grade

1 Certificate of church session as to good and regular standing

2 Examination before a committee of Presbytery on the English or Marathi Bible, on selected topics in Apologetics and on methods of personal work with students

3 Matriculation or University School Final Examination of the University of Bombay, or equivalent

4 Examination on Indian Religions other than Hinduism and Mohammedanism

5 Five years' approved service as a teacher
27 of the second grade

10 The requirements for admission to service in the third class, viz. Bible women, shall be as follows:

Fourth Grade

1 Certificate of church session as to good and regular standing

2 Letter from Mission's Committee on Bible Instruction for Women, showing that the candidate has passed an examination on first year's course, from Genesis to Deuteronomy

3 Ability to read Bálabodha easily

Third Grade

1 Certificate of church session as to good and regular standing

2 Certificate of Mission's committee on Bible Instruction for Women, showing completion of four years' course, Genesis to Deuteronomy, Joshua to 2nd Samuel, Luke and Acts

3 Approval by the station

4 Passing five vernacular standards

5 Three years' approved service as a Bible woman of the fourth grade

Second Grade

1 Certificate of church session as to good

and regular standing

2 Romans, Church History, Easy Manual of Hinduism

3 Approval by the station

4 Passing six vernacular standards

5 Three years' approved service as a Bible woman of the third grade

First Grade

1 Certificate of church session as to good and regular standing

2 Biblical Prophecy

3 Elements of Indian Religions

4 Diploma from Christian Girls' Boarding School or equivalent

5 Four years' approved service as a Bible of second grade

11 The first class shall be open to men only, the third to women only and the second on equal terms to both sexes. A person may be appointed as an agent or transferred from one class or grade to another only by vote of the mission on recommendation of the stations, sessions or presbytery as they are named in the requirements, except that in case of teachers of the fourth grade a vote of the station only shall be necessary.

12 Service with another mission to be accepted as fulfilling a requirement must be accepted by the

mission station or missionary under whose charge
29 the candidate was employed. All certificates shall be presented to the station, session or presbytery and if satisfactory shall be regarded as equivalent to examinations in the subjects concerned

13 The station, session or presbytery may refuse to examine any candidate who has failed within a year. The mission reserves the right to reject any candidate for general unfitness, for lack of appropriations or for sufficiency of agents.

14 The women of the mission shall be a committee to be called the "Mission's Committee on Bible Instruction for Women".

15 The salary of an agent in the first grade may in special circumstances be increased by vote of the mission. A candidate may be promoted for extraordinary faithfulness by special vote of the mission.

16 All agents in the mission's service immediately before May first 1897, shall from that date be ranked in the fourth grade of the appropriate class, but the last continuous period of such previous service shall for the purpose of promotion be regarded as in the fourth grade, except that the Bible women thus previously employed shall be ranked in the third grade.

17 A Bible woman of the fourth grade shall work either with a Bible woman of a higher grade or with a missionary lady

18 In addition to the salaries specified in rule 6, the following allowances only shall be granted.

1 A married man, three rupees a month

2 Actual expenses incurred on journeys authorized by the mission or station, but not including food, clothing or household furniture

3 Residence in the Konkana three rupees a month

4 Each child under eight years of age, two rupees a month

5 Illness in special cases, not to exceed five rupees, with the approval of the station.

19 No allowance shall be given for house-rent, water or for pupils passing in school. When the wife of a helper is employed as a teacher the allowance to her husband for his wife shall cease. When the wife of a helper dies leaving children under eight years of age, the wife's allowance of three rupees a month shall be continued to the husband until the youngest child is eight years old, then said allowance shall cease. When any of our Christian agents send their children to schools other than those of our Mission

without permission from the Mission, their allowance for those children shall cease.

20 Once a year a month's leave with pay shall be allowed each agent, the time to be determined by the missionary in charge of the person making application.

21 No Christian agents pay shall be increased while he is in debt.

22 If the house occupied by an agent be owned or rented by the Board, at least one rupee a month shall be deducted from the agents salary, the exact amount to be determined by the station.

23 An agent may be transfered from one station to another by the concurrent votes of those stations, or by a vote of the mission.

24 In case of censure inflicted upon an agent by a judicatory of the church to the extent of suspension from any office or from the communion he shall be immediatily dismissed and the dismissal shall be notified by the secretary of the station to the whole mission.

Schools

25 The schools of the mission shall be classifid as boarding schools, vernacular schools and reading schools.

Boarding Schools

32 26 The appointment of principals of boarding schools shall be by vote of the Mission only.

27 The course of study in the boarding schools shall be the same as that prescribed in the Grant in aid Code for schools and colleges in the Presidency of Bombay Schedule E. course 1 or 2, and the first three Standards of Schedule D, Anglo-vernacular, the course in Schedule D to be optional and the Principal to decide what scholars may pursue it, except that in the Boys' Boarding School the whole of Schedule D shall be included. There shall be religious instruction at least three hours a week using the Marathi Bible as a text-book, and that instruction shall count as an additional head in each Standard.

28 The following scale of fees shall be charged in the boys' boarding school:

(a) Anglo-vernacular course

Standard	VII	Annas	6
"	VI	"	6
"	V	"	4
"	IV	"	4
"	III	"	3
"	II	"	3
"	I	"	3

(b) Vernacular course

Standard	IV	Annas 2
"	III	" 2
"	II	Anna 1
"	I	" ½
Primary Class		" ¼

29 The following scale of fees shall be charged in the girls' boarding school:

(a) Anglo-vernacular course

Standard	III	Annas 3
"	II	" 2½
"	I	" 2½

(b) Vernacular Course

Standard	V	Annas 2½
"	IV	" 1½
"	III	Anna 1
"	II	" 1
"	I	" ½
Primary Class		" ¼

30 Fees in boarding schools shall be charged monthly in advance and shall be payable to the secretaries of the stations.

31 Those pupils who take the vernacular course above the fourth standard shall pay the same fees as the corresponding standards of the anglo vernacular course,

32 If any pupil fails for three consecutive months to pay the fees, he shall be dismissed from the school. 34

33 Prizes may be awarded out of the appropriations to pupils, provided that such awards shall be upon the basis of competitive examinations.

34 Boys shall not be eligible for prizes in girls' schools.

35 Pupils shall be promoted only on passing examinations held by the principals.

36 The age for admission into the boarding schools shall be, of boys eight years and of girls seven years. No applicant shall be received into a boarding school without a recommendation from the station from which he comes.

37 No boy over eight years of age may attend a girls' boarding school.

38 In case of a pupil or teacher leaving a school of the mission and applying for admission to another school a certificate of dismissal from the missionary in charge of the school from which he comes shall be required.

39 Clothing and a box to keep it in, vessels, and books shall be provided for each boarder from the funds of the boarding school; but these articles shall

be regarded as the property of the school given to the
35 pupils for their use only and, with the exception of one suit
of clothing, shall be turned over to the principal whenever
the pupils leave school either temporarily or permanently.

40 For the support of each boarder including clothing, food, lights and fuel the allowance shall be four rupees a month.

41 Pupils who are entirely dependent upon the mission may be supported out of the school funds during vacations.

42 Indian Christian agents shall not be paid vacation allowances for children over eighteen years of age.

43 No traveling expenses of pupils to and from the boarding schools shall be paid out of the funds of the schools.

44 No children of Christian parents unless residing within our mission field shall be supported by the funds of the boarding schools.

45 Missionaries in charge of the boarding schools are allowed to receive children from other missions if the missionaries (of these missions) in charge of these children send them and their expenses are paid.

46 Boarding schools shall be in session at least five hours each day excepting Saturday and Sunday, the five hours including the time set apart

for prayers and recesses.

36 47 In the boarding schools there shall be two terms each year. The first term shall begin the first Thursday after the tenth of November and end the last Thursday in March; the second term shall begin the first Thursday in June and end the last Thursday before the fifteenth of October.

48 A register showing names of pupils, their standards daily attendance and fees paid shall be kept in each school.

49 A vote of the station or of the mission shall be necessary to the employment of a teacher.

50 Pupils may be employed as assistant teachers to such extent only as will not materially interfere with their own studies, and at rates not to exceed one rupee a month for each pupil so employed, the whole pay of such pupils not to exceed four rupees a month.

51 Pupils in boarding schools shall be required to do work as the principal thinks best to require of them.

52 Suitable games may be provided for the diversion of the pupils outside of the time appointed for study and work.

53 Each boarding school shall maintain daily prayers.

54 Boarding schools may be provided with
87 such furniture and apparatus as may be allowed by
the appropriations.

Vernacular Schools

55 A vote of the station or of the mission shall be necessary to the establishment of a new school, to the transfer of a school from one missionary's care to that of another, or to the employment of a teacher.

56 The course of study in the vernacular schools shall be that of the primary class and four standards of course 1 or 2 prescribed in Schedule E of the Grant-in-aid Code for schools and colleges in the Presidency of Bombay. The following course of religious instruction or some other approved by the station, shall be pursued.—

Primary Class

Lord's Prayer, Catechism (Bodhapara) 21 questions

First Standard

Ten Commandments, Catechism 72 questions

Second Standard

Catechism completed Matthew 5:1-12

Third Standard

23rd Psalm, 3 Christian hymns, Summary of Christian Doctrine, 4 chapters

Fourth Standard

Summary of Christian Doctrine completed, John 3:14 12 1 Corinthians 13th chapter

57 In vernacular schools the text-books in reading shall be those of the Christian Literature Society.

58 In each standard the text-books in reading and in the course of religious instruction, needed for the next standard may be given as prizes for rising, but to low-caste pupils all text-books needed may be given, and in girls' schools the following prizes besides:

From Primary Class

A slate and satchel and a choli costing not more than four annas

From First Standard.

Marathi New Testament and a Hymn book and a choli costing not more than eight annas

From Second Standard

Clothing costing not more than two rupees

From Third Standard

Lugade costing not more than three rupees

From Fourth Standard

Clothing costing not more than four rupees

No prizes other than those mentioned in this rule may be granted either from the appropriations or from private sources

59 No gifts other than the prizes may be

granted to the pupils except by vote of the station.

39 60 Boys shall not be eligible for prizes other than text-books in girls' schools.

61 Pupils in vernacular schools shall be promoted only on passing examinations held by the secretary of the station or by the missionary in charge of the school.

62 In case of a pupil or teacher leaving a school of the mission and applying for admission to another school, a certificate of dismissal from the missionary in charge of the school from which he comes shall be required.

63 A register showing names of pupils, their standards, daily attendance and fees paid shall be kept in each school.

64 The salaries of teachers (other than Indian Christian agents) in vernacular schools shall be determined by the station but shall not exceed ten rupees a month except by vote of the mission.

65 Pupils may be employed as assistant teachers to such extent only as will not materially interfere with their own studies and at rates not to exceed one rupee a month for each pupil so employed, the whole pay of such pupils not to exceed two rupees a month.

40 66 A woman to bring the girls to school may be employed at a rate not to exceed three rupees a month.

67 Vernacular Schools may be furnished with chairs, tables, blackboards maps and abacuses. In each vernacular school for girls material for sewing may be furnished.

Reading Schools

68 Classes may be established by vote of the station for the purpose of teaching to read and of imparting Christian knowledge the whole expense of each class not to exceed six rupees a month.

Mission Meetings

Annual Meeting

69 The annual mission meeting shall convene at Panhála at 8 P.M. on the first Thursday after the fifteenth of October. The ordained missionaries shall preach by turns in the order of seniority in the mission one at each annual meeting. The Lord's Supper shall be celebrated at each annual meeting.

Reports to be presented at annual meeting

70 At every annual meeting the secretary of each station shall present a full detailed report of all the work of the station, and each missionary a brief personal report of his own work. These reports as read shall be transmitted to the secretary of the Board in charge of the correspondence by the secretaries of the stations.

41 Order of Business etc. at Annual Meeting

71 Five members shall constitute a quorum.

72 The president shall have a vote on all questions and in the event of a tie the motion shall be considered lost.

73 The yeas and nays may be recorded at the wish of a majority and any member's vote at his own request.

74 All temporary committees unless otherwise provided for shall be appointed by the President.

75 On points of order not decided by our own rules the mission shall be governed by Roberts' "Rules of Order".

76 The order of business at the annual meeting of the mission shall be as near as practicable the following:

Roll call
Report of Committee of Arrangements
Reading minutes of last meeting
Report of business transacted by circular
Reports of stations
Reports of missionaries
Reports of committees
Miscellaneous business
Estimates
Order of preference in
1 new property asked

2 New missionaries asked

42 Election of Officers

77 At each annual meeting the minutes of the several stations shall be referred to committees of two each for their examination, and the action of the mission thereon shall be entered in the station minute book, and signed by the mission secretary.

78 The order of preference in appropriations asked for new property shall be decided by a separate vote on the several objects endorsed for the first place in the order of their nomination until some object has received a majority of the votes cast. Similar votes shall be taken for the second place and so on until the order of every approved estimate has been determined. In the same way the order of preference for all new missionaries shall be determined.

79 The annual election of officers shall be by ballot. The vote shall be taken separately for each officer, and after the first ballot the names of all except the two having the highest number of votes shall be dropped.

80 The women of the mission shall have the right to vote on all questions equally with the men.

81 Members wishing to leave before the close of mission meeting are required to get permission

from the mission so to do.

43 §2 Every question proposed by circular shall be signed by the mover and by the seconder with the date. It shall then be circulated once for both remarks and votes. At the request of any member the question shall be circulated a second time for remarks and votes; otherwise the first circulation shall be final. It shall then be returned to the President who shall write on it the word "carried" or the word "lost" with his signature and shall preserve it till the next annual meeting when it shall be presented with his report. Every subsidiary question shall take a like course being circulated with its principal, until the subsidiary question or the principal question is decided. No circular business shall be transacted by telegraph.

Stations

§3 Each station shall have authority over all departments of mission work within its own field subject to the direction of the mission.

§4 Each station shall within a month before each annual meeting of the mission hold a meeting for the adoption of the station's report both statistical and general for the year ending thirtieth September and of the estimates to be presented to the mission, and

for consideration of the general work of the station and
44 of the mission. Special meetings may be held at the
call of the secretary of the station.

85 The vote of the majority of the missionaries shall be necessary to the adoption of any measure. All acts of the station shall from the next annual meeting of the mission be considered valid unless disapproved by the mission

86 No station or outstation shall be established by this mission in any town or village which is at the time of the adoption of this rule occupied by a resident member or Christian agent of any other Protestant mission, except by invitation of such mission. (Amended, see page 49.)

87 In case of a conflict of claims between this mission and a neighboring Protestant mission a given town shall be considered as belonging to that mission adjacent thereto which has for the longest time conducted uninterrupted and regular work in that town.

88 In order to the establishment of an outstation or to the designation of an agent to live at any town that has not been occupied by the mission within the last year, a vote of the station with three fifths the vote in favor shall be necessary.

89 Members of the mission absent from 45 the field on furlough or by special permission of the Board shall still be regarded as members of the mission and of their respective stations unless their connection be severed by the Board; but no member absent from India may vote or hold office in the mission or in a station.

90 Every member shall be entitled to vacation at Mahábleshvar or Panhála for the hot season each year. Any person not availing himself of this liberty in the hot season may take a change of equal length at such time as the station may determine. The houses of these sanitariums shall be designated by the Locating Committee.

91 Any necessary expense incurred by any member of the mission, in the execution of mission business only and that would not be otherwise incurred shall be authorized as a mission charge.

92 Any sum of money received for mission work by a member from any church Sabbath school society or individual in the United States of America connected with the Presbyterian Church, shall be promptly transferred to the station treasurer with any directions sent by the giver concerning the object of expenditure. No such gift shall be considered as cause for any

excess of expenditure for any object over the Board's
46 appropriations. The mission recommends that gifts from other sources be likewise transferred to the treasurer when such transfer is consistent with the conditions imposed by the giver.

93 For the purpose of making statistical reports
√ = the records of all contributions made to the churches by foreigners shall be kept distinct.

94 The treasurer of each station shall keep the funds remitted to him by the mission treasurer in a bank approved by the mission and shall distribute them among the members respectively for the authorized work under their supervision according to the appropriations.

95 He shall collect from the members of the station any revenue derived from such sources as tuition fees, medical fees, sale of books, sale of mission property etc. and report the same to the treasurer of the mission in the last month of each quarter, viz. in July, October, January and April.

96 He shall advise the mission treasurer at least one week before the first day of each month as to the amount needed for the current expenses of the station in that month.

97 He shall keep in official books clear

and correct accounts of all receipts and payments and have vouchers for the latter. These books shall be the property of the Mission and be open to the inspection of any member of the Mission at any reasonable time.

98 On the first of May or as soon after as possible, he shall hand to the mission treasurer, on a printed form received from him, a detailed statement of all the expenses of his station for the preceding year; also similar detailed statements on the same forms from the members respectively. The statements of the members shall be accompanied by vouchers so far as necessary to a clear and full understanding of the separate charges contained in them. These statements when audited by the committee of the mission shall be returned to the station treasurer, and the total expenditure of each member and of the station entered in his books after which the books shall be examined by the Auditing Committee of the Station. (Amended, see page 50.)

Second recommendation, that all previous rules, and actions having the force of rules, in conflict with this code or in addition thereto be repealed.

Third recommendation, that the Publishing Committee be directed to print two hundred copies of the Constitution and Rules, keeping each alternate page blank for future amendments that four copies

be given to each member, and that the remainder be
48 kept by the secretary.

The report of the committee on preparation of rules was then adopted as a whole.

The order of the day, the recommendations of the committee on list of towns and on map, was taken up.

Com. on maps

Mr. Seiler came in.

On motion the map was referred back to the committee with directions to put in names of towns having population over four thousand each, to use marks to indicate smaller towns, to use colors to show languages, to use the spelling of names given in the Postal Guide and to mark natural features so far as possible. The recommendations as adopted were as follows: First, that the committee be continued, Mr. Hannum being released from further service on the committee in view of the mission's action fixing the time for his departure on furlough, and that another member be appointed instead. Second, that the committee be directed to prepare two copies of the map one to be delivered to the secretary of the mission and one to be sent to the secretary of the Board, and that the committee be authorized to employ a draughtsman if necessary to make these copies, the expense to be charged equally to the appropriations of the several

stations. Third, that the Board be requested to
49 print the map on such reduced scale as it may
think best, and to furnish the mission one hundred
copies; and Fourth, that the committee be directed
to proceed with the preparation of the list of towns
as already ordered. On motion Mr. Jolly was appointed
a member of the committee.

On motion Miss. Foster was excused from
the meeting. Mrs. Hannum and Dr. A. S. Wilson were
excused from the present session.

The Secretary presented a petition from Sidarámaji
Decline increase pay of native P. Jádhava asking increase of pay. On motion the
Secretary was directed to reply that the mission does
not see its way clear to grant the petition.

The Secretary presented a request from Bálaji
U. Joshi, Proprietor of the Tedford New English School, at
Ratnágiri, that the mission assume control of the
school. A motion was made that the request be
referred to Ratnágiri station.

The session adjourned with prayer by
Mr. E. M. Wilson.

On 22 December, 1897, at 8 P. M. Mr. Tedford
conducted a service from Ezekiel 37.

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Eighth Session

50 The eighth session met at 10 A.M. 23 December, 1897. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Irwin. All the members on the field were present except Miss Foster.

The minutes of the seventh session were read corrected and approved.

Article IV amended

The Constitution, Article IV was amended by substitution in the title, for "Meetings" of "Amendments."

Bible instruction for women

Mrs. Tedford read the report of the committee on Bible Instruction for women, stating that certificates had been awarded to five women for completion of the four years course, and that two others had passed examination on a portion of the course.

Mission to Lepers correspondence

Dr. Wanless read the report of the committee on correspondence with the Mission to Lepers in India and the East. The committee was continued.

Mrs. Wanless was excused from the session.

Mr Joshi's request

The consideration of the motion to refer Mr. B. N. Joshis request to Ratnagiri Station was resumed. The motion was amended and adopted thus: that the mission reply to Mr. Joshi that the mission does not see its way clear to take such charge of the school as would secure a Government grant.

amendment to rule 86

On motion rule 86 was amended by the omission of the words "at the time of the adoption of this rule".

Rule 98
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On motion rule 98 was amended by the omission after the words "These statements" of the words "when audited by the committee of the mission", and by the insertion before the words "These statements" of the words "When the mission accounts have been audited".

After intermission Mrs. Wanless was present.

Report on Statistics

Mr. Hannum read the report of the committee on statistical reports, which was considered seriatim. Recommendations as adopted were as follows: First, that under "Adherents," when persons attending services are not believed to attend from personal religious interest, this be explained by a note.

Second, that fractions of rupees be omitted.

Third, that those outstations only that have been occupied within the year be counted.

Fourth, that when a preacher or teacher is counted twice (as in case of students for the ministry) an explanatory note be made.

Fifth, that Christians only be counted under "Native Helpers".

Sixth, that when others than pupils in organized schools are included under "Total Number under Instruction", it should be explained by a note.

Seventh, that appropriations be entered as finally reduced.

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52 Eighth, that the following items only be regarded as "Appropriations for Churches and Education": Class IV E Sunday Schools, Class V Education, and under Classes VII and VIII Property, all expenses for chapels, school-houses and teachers' dwellings; and that under this head the appropriations for the current fiscal year be taken.

In accordance with the committee's recommendation certain minor corrections in the stations' reports were ordered.

Supplement to Unicode.

A motion was carried that a committee of two be appointed to supplement the "Unicode", this committee to report by circular as soon as possible. On motion Mr. E. M. Wilson and Mr. Irwin were appointed.

House rent for agents

Dr. Wanless read a petition from Mr. Isaac Abraham requesting free lodging. A motion was carried, that in reply to the request of Isaac Abraham for house rent the secretary be authorized to write Mr. Isaac stating that the mission no longer pays house rent for mission agents and therefore does not see its way clear to grant his request.

Lazarus

Dr. Wanless read a petition from Mr. Samson Lazarus requesting increase of salary. The following motion was carried: that in reply to the request of Samson Lazarus he be allowed eighteen rupees per month after his marriage.

53 On motion the committee on "Unicode" was directed to purchase one copy of the Unicode for each station

Increase of pay declined

Mr. Simonson presented an oral petition from Baijubá Thákura requesting an increase of pay. On motion the secretary was directed to reply that the mission does not see its way clear to grant the petition.

Employment of native declined

Mr. Seiler presented an oral request from Meghaji V. Jádhava asking employment. On motion Mr. Seiler was directed to reply that the mission does not see its way clear to employ him.

Z. B. & M. new helpers

The motion on request to the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission was taken from the table. It was amended and adopted thus: that the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission be requested to send a new group of four workers.

Resignation as corr. secy. of Z. B. & M.

Mr. Hannum offered his resignation as corresponding secretary of the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission. It was accepted, and on motion Mr. Irwin was named as his successor.

Extra copy of mission letters

A motion was carried that the Board be requested hereafter to send to the mission secretary, for filing, a copy of each letter to the mission in addition to those sent to the station secretaries.

54 A motion was carried that the new group of four associated workers be located at Ratnagiri for two years.

A motion was carried that when we take recess we take recess till 8 P.M.

After recess Mrs. Wanless, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. E. M. Wilson and Mrs. A. S. Wilson were absent.

Errors in Bd's Report

The following resolution was adopted: That the Board's attention be respectfully called to the following errors in its annual report for 1897, with a view to avoid similar errors in future reports: First that the names of "Robert P. Wilder and Mrs. Wilder" are given on page 115 as belonging to the Kolhapur Station, whereas according to the Manual paragraph 39, and as shown by their not having resided or worked within the bounds of this mission, they are not members of this Mission, though the Mission in its action of 30 October 1894 requested the Board so to assign them. Second, the offering of the Kolhapur Church for the Home Mission Fund is stated on page 116 to have been 1,950 rupees whereas the contribution of that church was reported by the Mission as only sixteen rupees.

The portion of the Board's letter of 2 February

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Outfit allowance

1897 communicating the Board's action of 6 April 1896, on outfit allowance, was read. It was voted that the Board be advised that the Mission regards the present allowance as necessary.

No medical fees charged of Siam missionaries

Dr. Wanless reported orally that as a Committee of the Mission he had communicated to the Board the usage on comity in medical attendance, that no fees are charged to Christian missionaries.

On furloughs

The portion of the Board's undated circular letter received in July 1897, on the term of service, was read. The following motion was carried: that understanding that the Board has increased the time of furlough of missionaries working in India, we defer action on this question as to the length of the term of service, until we learn through the Secretary what the Board's new rule may be.

President Irwin read the statistical report of Ratnagiri Station. On motion it was approved.

Mr. Goheen was excused from the session.

Permanent Investments

It was moved that the Mission respectfully express to the Board its disapproval of the general policy of dependence on permanent investments in the work of the Board. On motion this was referred to a committee of two to report at the next meeting of the Mission. Mr. E. M. Wilson and Mr. Hannum were appointed as the Committee.

56 On motion the session adjourned, prayer being offered by Mr. Wilson.

Ninth Session

The ninth session met at 10 A.M. 24 December 1897. Prayers were conducted by Mr. Simonson. Members were present as at the beginning of the eighth session except that Mrs. Jolly was absent.

The minutes of the eighth session and of the intervening religious service were read, corrected and approved.

It was _voted_ that the stations be considered competent to determine what fees may be charged in vernacular schools.

Estimates

Estimates were called. A motion was carried that estimates be considered class by class, all stations together. They were thus adopted for the first and third classes. It was voted to refer to a committee of two the estimates for the second class to be harmonized, the Committee to report at 2:30 P.M. the same day. The President appointed Mr. Goheen and Mrs. Ferris as the Committee.

Mrs. Jolly came in.

On _motion_ Kolhapur Station was permitted to

57 reconsider its estimates for the fourth and following classes. The estimates for the fourth class for the other stations were adopted. Estimates for the fifth class were considered.

After intermission Mrs. Seiler, Mrs. Wanless, Mr. Jolly and Mrs. E. M. Wilson were absent.

The order of the day, the report of the Committee on Estimates, class second was called. Mr. Goheen read the report, which was adopted as follows: that all estimates in class second for freight and travel for missionaries going to or coming from the United States of America be made out as follows:

Travel + freight

Sub-class D. Freight for each adult $35.00

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" " " child, except when full fares are required. 25.00

Sub-class E. Travel for each adult 300.00

" " " child, except when full fares are required 150.00

Estimates for the second, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth classes were considered.

The estimates as adopted were as follows:

Mrs. Seiler, Mr. Jolly and Mrs Wanless came in.

104 It was voted that when the time fixed for adjournment arrives, the session be continued.

Branch training Institute asked for from Edinburgh Medical Miss'y Society ?

The following motion was carried: That Drs. Wanless and Wilson be appointed a Committee to enter into correspondence with the Edinburgh Medical Missionary Society concerning the conditions on which it would be possible and practicable for that Society to establish a branch training institute in connection with the Miraj Hospital, this Committee to report as soon as possible.

On motion the Mission took recess for 15 minutes.

New Property

The order of preference in New Property was decided as follows:

1 Girls' Boarding School, Kolhapur and Boys' Boarding School, Sangli
2 Porch and Upper room, Ratnagiri
3 Completion of Bungalow, Miraj
4 Completion of work shop, Sangli
5 Bungalow, Sangli
6 House for Assistants, Miraj

New Missionaries

The order of preference among new missionaries was decided as follows:

1 Ordained man Sangli

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2 Ordained man and wife Ratnágiri
3 Two ladies, Kolhapur
4 One lady, Miraj
5 One lady physician, Panhala
6 Two ladies Sangli
7 One lady physician Miraj

On motion the mission took recess and held a business meeting instead of the religious service appointed.

After recess Mrs. Wanless was absent.

Statistical reports were called. Mr. Graham read that for Sangli Station, Dr. Wanless for Miraj Station, Mr. Seiler for Kolhapur Station and Miss Sherman for Panhála Station. The reports were on motion approved.

A motion was carried that the mission approve the publication of the mission's report in "Indian Notes."

Election of Officers was called. The following were elected:

New Officers

President	Mr. Irwin
Secretary	Mr. E. M. Wilson
Treasurer	Mr. Graham
Member of Auditing Committee	Mr. Simonson
" " Publishing "	Mr. Seiler

Member of Examining Committee Mr. Seiler
" " Arrangement " Mr. Goheen
" " Property " Mr. Jolly

The minutes of the Twenty-Fifth Annual Meeting were read and approved.

On motion the mission placed on record its appreciation of the services of its retiring Secretary.

On motion a vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Ferris for the use of the bungalow and to the hostesses of the three bungalows for their entertainment of the members.

On motion the meeting adjourned, prayer being offered by President Irwin.

William H. Hannum,
Secretary.

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American Presbyterian Mission in Western India. Minutes of 26th Annual Meeting. Oct 1898.

First Session

The 26th Annual Meeting of the Western India Mission was opened at Panhala Oct 20th at 8 P.M. Mr Seiler opened the meeting with prayer, after which the meeting elected Mr Seiler chairman Pro Tem, and Miss Sherman Sec Pro Tem. The Secretary called the roll. Mr Seiler, Mr Goheen, Mr and Mrs Tedford, and Miss Sherman were present. The following motion was carried.

Place of annual meeting changed

Whereas the Maharajah has expressed himself unwilling that missionaries from plague infected districts should assemble at Panhala for the Annual Meeting this year, therefore, moved, that we adjourn to meet in Kolhapur to-morrow evening at 8 o,clock. Mr Goheen closed with prayer.

J. H. Sherman
Sec. Pro. Tem.

Second Session

The second session met at 8 P.M in the

Bungalow No 1, Kolhapur. Present Mr and Mrs Seiler, Mr and Mrs Goheen, Mr and Mrs Tedford, Mr Graham, Mrs Ferris, Miss Minor Miss Jefferson, Miss Brown, Miss Sherman, Miss Patton, Mr Simonson, Mr and Mrs Jolly, Dr and Mrs Wilson, Mr and Mrs Wilson, .

In the absence of the President the meeting was called to order by the Secretary.

Mr Seiler was elected president pro Tem.

The report of the arangement committee was read by Miss Brown and adopted, It was as follows:—

The arangement committee for 1898 report the following

Order of Services.

Oct 21st Friday		Opening Sermon
8. P. M.		Mr Wilson
Oct 22nd Saturday		Day of prayer
11 A. M	Leader	Dr Wanless
8 P. M	"	Mr Graham
Oct 23rd Sunday		The Lords Supper
11 A. M.		(In the Mission room)
		Mr Seiler, Mr Tedford

	8 P.M.		Mr Irwin
Oct 24.	Monday		
	10. A.M.		Devotional exercises
	10.30 – 12-30		Mission Meeting
	12.30 - 2-30	Recess.	
	2.30 - 4-30		Mission Meeting
Oct 26	Wednesday		Devotional exercises
	8. P.M.	Leader	Mr Jolly
Oct 30	Sunday		
	11 A.M.	Leader	Mr Simonson
	8 P.M	Song Service	
		Leader	Dr Wilson

Arangement Committee { A. Adelaide Brown
J. M. Goheen.

This committee also reported the arangement which had been made for the entertainment of the Mission in Kolhapur.

Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved

Annual Sermon

The Annual Sermon was preached by Rev E. M. Wilson from Matt 28: 18 – 20.

The resignation of Mr Irwin as Secretary of the Z.B.M.M. ladies was presented.

Relation of Z.B.M.M. to Mission

The follow action was taken:—

That the resignation of Mr Irwin as Secretary of the Z.B.M.M. be referred to a committee consisting of Mrs Graham Miss Jefferson and Mrs Goheen, with instruction to consider the whole question of the relation of these ladies to our Mission.

Adjourned to Monday 10-30. A.M.
Prayer by Dr Wilson

Third Session.

The third session met at 10.30 A.M. Oct-24 and was called to order by the President.

Members were present as at second Session and in addition Mr Irwin.

Minutes of previous Annual meeting read

Minutes of the 25th Annual Meeting were read.

Minutes of second session were read and approved.

The president reported circular business as follows:—

Motions passed.

In view of the unusually heavy cut on the appropriations for the fiscal year ending April 30. 1898 and the unavoidable expenditure in the Mission of Rupees 433-11-1. above the amount of the reduced appropriations on account of plague and famine. Resolved;- that we ask the Board for a grant of that amount from the Medical fees received at Miraj Station between Nov 1/97 and April, 30/98. The amount to be distributed as follows,-

Kolhàpur	class VII	139-7-8	
Ratnàgiri	" IX	57-3-9	
Miraj	" VI 47-10-1		
	IX 189-5-7	236-15-8	
		433-11-1	

Mahàbleshwar
May 13. 1898.

Moved: that the cut of Rs 19636 on the appropriations for the year 1898-9, be apportioned by a pro ràtā cut on the Stations, according to their respective appropriations as follows:-

Kolhàpur	Rupees	4757
Ratnagiri	"	3264
Panhàla	"	1869
Sangli	"	5324

and Miraj Rupees 44 22.
Mahableshwar May 20. 1898.

Opening of X'ian Boys' B'ding School

Moved; that on account of the plague at Sangli the opening of the Christian Boys Boarding School be postponed for one month.
Mahableshwar May 20. 1898.

Moved: that the Secretary be instructed to send the following letter to Dr Gillespie. (See letters)
Mahableshwar May 21. 1898.

Moved: that as there is still plague in Sangli the opening of the Christian Boys Boarding School be postponed until after the next annual Meeting of the Mission.
Sangli July 25. 1898.

Girls' School at Kolhapur

On account of the strict quarantine in Kolhapur State, Moved: that no vacation be given in the Girls Boarding School in October and that the school be closed the last Thursday in February instead of the last Thursday in March.
Kolhapur Sept 23. 1898.

The following motion was laid on the table until Mission Meeting.

Request for more workers

Since sections of our field remain unoccupied the people being without a knowledge of Christ. Moved: that we request our Board to consider plans for supplying workers for these districts, that we refer to the Board all questions pertaining to the appointment of such workers.

Kolhapur. July 25. 1898.

The report of the committee on Supplementing the Unicode was also circulated but action was deferred until Mission Meeting.

J. M. Irwin. President

Miss Wilder's plan

On motion the plan of Miss Wilder for associated workers was taken up for consideration. The Mission went into committee of the whole to consider the subject. Mr Seiler was called to the chair. The committee rose and reported progress.

After intermission the Mission again went into committee of the whole to continue the discussion of Miss Wilder's Plan.

Mr. Seiler was called to the chair. Dr Wilson was excused from the sessions until Friday.

The committee of the whole recommended the following action, which was adopted.

"No" to the Village Settlement Scheme"

Moved:- that the Secretary cable "No." to the Board in regard to the Village Settlement Scheme as proposed by Miss Wilder.

The report of Kolhāpur Station was read.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr Goheen.

Fourth Session

The fourth session met at 10-30. A.M. Oct-25. Members were present as at the close of the third session, and in addition Dr and Mrs Wanless.

The minutes of the third session were corrected and approved.

The statistical report of Kolhāpur Station was read and to-gether with the Kolhāpur Station report was approved.

Mr Graham's resignation as Principal of Boys' School

Mr Graham presented his resignation as Principal of the Boys Boarding School on account of approaching furlough.

The Mission went into committee of the whole to consider the whole question of the Boys Boarding School.

Mr Simonson was called to the chair.

The committee of the whole made the following recommendations which were adopted.

Sangli School to be opened

First; that the Sangli Boarding School be opened as near as practicable at the usual time. Second; that Mr Grahams resignation as principal be accepted.

The following committees on Station minutes were appointed

Kolhàpur	Mr Simonson Miss Brown.
Ratnàgiri.	Mr Seiler Mr Tedford
Panhàla	Mr Graham Miss Patton
Sàngli	Mr Goheen Miss Sherman
Miraj	Mr Tedford Miss Jefferson

The report of Ratnagiri Station was read and approved.

Rule 15 was amended by the addition of the following: "When mission agents rise by passing examinations

Mission Agents

they shall be entitled to increase of pay from the beginning of the next fiscal year"–

Personal reports were read by Mr Seiler, Mrs Goheen, Mr Goheen, and Mrs Ferris.

After intermission the report of Panhâla Station was read and approved.

Letter to Miss Wilder

On motion a committee consisting of Mrs Goheen and Miss Jefferson was appointed to draft a letter to Miss Wilder explaining the Mission's cablegram.

Personal reports were read by Miss Patton, Miss Jefferson, Mrs Jolly, Mr Jolly, Dr Wilson (read by Mr Simonson) Miss Sherman, Miss Brown, Mrs Hanless, and Mr Irwin.

Personal reports to date as read were approved.

Indian Notes

The ~~publishing~~ committee reported that they had continued to edit "Indian Notes"– printing 500 copies each month, without expense to the Mission.

Printing of Rules & Constitution

Also that they had printed, according to instructions, 200 copies of the revised constitution and rules at a cost of Rs 44.12-0. besides Rs 3.8.6 for Railway and postage expenses.

Report accepted.

The report of the committee on supplementing the unicode was adopted. (See file)

Correspondence with Leper Mission

The committee appointed to correspond with the Mission to the lepers in India and the East reported correspondence carried on but no action taken toward establishing a leper asylum, on account of lack of funds.

Report accepted and committee continued.

The auditing committee reported that they had examined the accounts of the Mission Treasurer and found them correct. Report accepted.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Seiler.

Fifth Session

The fifth session met 10.30. A. M. Oct. 26. The minutes of the fourth session were read and approved.

Appropriation for Misses Minor + Jefferson not to be used asked for Charlie Tedford

× The following action was taken:- As the appropriation~~s~~ for the return of Misses Minor and Jefferson to America will not be required this year-

Moved:- That we ask the Board to allow a portion of it to be used to defray the travelling expenses of Charlie Tedford to the U. S. A, in the Spring.

Mr. Jolly's examination

Personal reports were read by Miss Minor, Mrs Seiler, Mrs E. M. Wilson, Mr Graham, Mr E. M. Wilson and Dr Wanless.

The report of the committee on map was received.

The examining committee reported that Mr Jolly had passed the first examination in October. Also of the Z. B. M. M. ladies Miss Betteridge passed her first examination in April, Miss Sharp her second, and Miss Evans her first in Sept.

Parsonage for Kolhapur pastorage

The following action was taken; that the Mission does not think it advisable that a parsonage for the Kolhāpur pastor be built with money subscribed in America.

After intermission personal reports were read by Mr Simonson and Mr Tedford.

Moved:- That rule 90 be ammended to read as follows:—

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Health vacation

The single ladies and male members of the Mission shall be entitled to six weeks vacation every year or double that time every other year in any sanitarium which they may choose. This time may be extended at any time by vote of the Mission for health reasons or in case of severe illness in a family; no time limit to be set in the case of married ladies and children.

The hostesses of the Mission Sanitariums shall be designated by the locating committee.

A motion to lay this amendment to rule 90 on the table was carried.

On this motion to lay on the table Dr. Wanless and Mr. Seiler asked that their negative votes be recorded.

Petition to Govt. on Plague question:-

Moved:- That a committee be appointed to draft a petition to Government praying them to investigate the plague measures of Kolhāpur and the Southern Marathi Country and their administration by the present Political Agent.

An intermission of ten minutes was taken for prayer.

The time of the session was extended 40 minutes.

The motion concerning the investigation of plague measures was carried. The vote was as follows:-

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas	Yeas	Yeas
Mr. Seiler.	Miss Minor.	Mrs. Dr. Wilson	Mrs. Wanless	Mrs. Jolly
Mr. Graham.	Mr. Simonson	Mr. Tedford	Miss Sherman	Total 17
Mrs. Goheen.	Mr. E. M. Wilson	Mrs. Tedford	Mr. Irwin	
Mrs. Ferris.	Mrs. E. M. Wilson	Dr. Wanless	Mr. Jolly	

Nays	Not voting
Mr Goheen	Mrs Seiler
Miss Patton	Miss Jefferson
Miss Brown	
Total 3	Total 2

On motion Mr Graham, Dr Wanless, and Mr E. M. Wilson were appointed committee.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr Tedford to meet at 11 A.M. Oct 27.

Sixth Session.

The sixth session met at 11 A.M. Oct 27. The minutes of the fifth session were read and approved.

Mrs Tedford read her personal report.

The report of the locating committee was received and made the order of the day for 2.30. P.M.

The committee appointed to draft a petition to Government concerning plague measures in Kolhapur and the Southern Marathi Country made its report. The petition as adopted was as follows:

From

The American Presbyterian Mission

Petition to Govt

in Western India.

To

His Excellency the Right Honourable
William Baron Sandhurst
G. C. I. E.
Governor and President in Council
Bombay.
Kolhàpur 27/10/98.

May it please your Excellency;

We, the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India, desire to bring to the notice of your Excellency the character of the plague measures heretofore and at present administered by the Political Agent of Kolhàpur and the Southern Marathi Country. Lieut. Col. J. W. Wray, and in doing so we most humbly and respectfully beg that your Excellency will be kind enough to appoint a commission to enquire into the past and present plague measures in Kolhàpur and the Southern Marathi Country, for which we believe the Political Agent to be responsible.

For the purpose of investigation we would most humbly ask for consideration of the following subjects:-

1. Failure on the part of the Political Agent to adequately visit and personally inspect the plague measures in infected places outside the Kolhāpur State.

2. Failure to personally visit and ascertain the condition of the people, and indifference to the sufferings of the people in the infected districts in consequence of the plague.

3. Failure to personally see that measures for the suppression of the plague as ordered were carried out.

4. The abuse of quarantine measures in the past, and, in view of the recent action of Government, the unneccessarily stringent and unreasonable quarantine now imposed at Shirol Road.

5. Failure to anticipate the coming of plague to Kolhāpur City as is evident from the lack of preparation for an outbreak of plague there.

6. The arbitrary and unreasonable method of granting passes to persons coming to Kolhāpur.

Your petitioners include both American citizens and British subjects and reside and carry on mission work in the following places in

Kolhapur and the Southern Marathi Country viz:- Kolhapur, Kadoli, Miraj and Sangli, beside stations in the Ratnagiri district.

At the same time we as a Mission would assure your Excellency that we are not moved by considerations of personal animosity against Col Wray and we would express our appreciation of his acts of kindness and sympathy to members of the Mission.

On the adoption of this petition Miss Patton and Miss Brown asked that their negative votes be recorded.

copies of petition to be printed.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to have 50 copies of the petition printed in Bombay.

After intermission the report of the Locating committee was taken up. The recommendations as adopted were as follows: —

Locations

1. That Mr and Mrs Wilson be transferred to Sangli, and Mr Wilson take charge of the Boys Boarding School.

2. That Mrs Goheen have charge of the Girls Boarding School during Miss Patton's furlough, taking charge the 1st of March.

3. That Govindrow be transferred to Ratnagiri City if he be not unwilling, after consultation

with him, and that Basantrow be sent to Miraj.

Mrs Dr Wilson read her personal report. Personal reports as read to date were approved.

Dr and Mrs Wanless and Mrs Dr Wilson were excused from the Sessions.

Mrs Ferris resigns as Prin. of Girls' School

Mrs Ferris resigned her position as associate principal of the Girls Boarding School, on account of furlough, to take effect March 1st.

Resignation accepted.

The time of the meeting was extended 15 minutes.

Com. on permanent investments

The committee to which was referred the resolution concerning the permanent investments of the Board made a partial report. The correspondence to date was read to the Mission. The committee was continued another year.

Adjourned to Saturday Oct 29. at 10.30 A.M. Prayer by Mr Simonson.

Seventh Session

The seventh session met at 10.30. A.M. Oct 29. 1898

The minutes of the sixth session were read and approved.

The property committee reported that they had

Property Com. on Sangli work shop

examined and approved the plans for the enlargement of the workshop of the Boys Boarding School at Sāngli.

The statistical report of Panhāla Station was read and approved.

Miss Foster's personal report (read by Miss Brown) was approved.

Moved:- That we have no afternoon Session to-day. Carried.

Map Committee

On motion the report of the map committee was referred back to the committee to report when the map was completed. All previous instructions to the committee were cancelled and all details of the work were left to the judgment of the committee.

The report of the committee on the relations of the Z.B.M.M. ladies to our Mission was received and considered seriatim.

Mr Goheen was called to the chair and the time of the session extended.

Relation of Z.B.M.M. to Mission

The report as adopted was as follows:-

Your committee to which was referred the resignation of the corresponding Secretary of the Z.B.M.M. with instructions to consider the whole question of the relation of the workers of that Mission to our own Mission respectfully beg to report that we have carefully read the Manual of that Mission containing the "Regulations for missionaries, assistant missionaries and native helpers. We have examined their last Annual Report and have had before us the correspondence of the Secretary appointed by our own Mission to be the Local Representative of their committee in our Mission Field.

We have found that much embarrassment has been felt by the workers of the Z. B. M. M. and by their corresponding Secretary owing to misunderstanding that has been caused mainly by the failure on the part of our Mission to take any action expressing our conception of and desire of what the relation of these workers to our Mission should be, and defining the duties and authority of their corresponding Secretary in relation to our own Mission.

We appreciate the earnest consecration of these workers and feel that we are under great obligation to their Home Committee for sending them to us, and now to secure the highest degree of harmony and efficiency in the work of both Missions we would make the following recommendations:-

1. In order that we may have a fuller knowledge of and a warmer sympathy with their work, and that they may have a fuller knowledge of and a warmer sympathy with our work we would recommend that one of their number (or if they so desire one of each group) be present at our Annual Meeting, and read a report of their work for the year, similar to the reports read of the work in our own Mission, and that she sit with us as an honorary member to represent them in the sessions of our Annual Meeting.

2. As the corresponding Secretary of the Z.B.M.M. is the official representative of our Mission to the Home committee of their Mission, as well as the representative of the Home Committee to us, we would recommend that he be chosen by ballot at each Annual Meeting, as all the other officers of our Mission are, and that it be the duty of the Secretary in his correspondence with the Home Committee of the Z.B.M.M. looking to action on their part, to present the instructions of the Mission in relation to the matter under consideration, and that he keep files of all such correspondence which shall be submitted to the Mission at its Annual Meeting.

3. Inasmuch as we see from Sec 9 of their Manual that each Mission of the Z.B.M.M. is expected to have local regulations of its own, we would recommend that their Mission be requested to adopt our rules in reference to the examination, location and work of Missionaries and the pay of native helpers so far as these rules can be made applicable to them consistent with their position as associate workers, and their relation to their Home committee:

4. That a report of this action and also a copy of our rules be sent to the Home Committee of the Z.B.M.M. for their information and consideration, and that all danger of misunderstanding be safe-guarded by the provision that all propositions made by our Mission and agreed to by the Z.B.M.M. in our field, be subject to the approval of their Home Committee.

Passes for missys. from Plague districts

Moved: — That the Secretary be instructed to get an official answer from the Diwan to the question whether in the future members of our Mission coming to Kollikanal from infected districts are to be refused passes;

This motion was made the order of the day for Monday Oct 31st at 2.30. P.M. Adjourned with prayer by Mr Jolly.

Eighth Session.

The eighth session met at 10.30. A.M. Oct 31st, 1898

The minutes of the Seventh Session were read and approved.

On motion the location of the Z.B.M.M. Ladies was referred to a committee consisting of Mr Graham, Miss Jefferson and Mrs Goheen to report the same afternoon.

The Sàngli Station and statistical reports, the Miraj Station report, and the Ratnàgiri Statistical report, were read and approved and the Miraj Statistical report was read.

Com. on Edinburgh Medical Missy. Society

The committee appointed to correspond with the Edinburgh Medical Missionary Society reported no reply from that Society to their communications. The committee was continued with instructions to correspond with our Board on the Subject.

After intermission the motion concerning requests to the Divan for passes which was the order of the day was laid on the table.

The report of the Missions committee on

Course of Bible instruction for women

Bible instruction for women was read. The report showed that for at least part of the year systematic Bible study had been carried on at all of the stations, that Chandrabai Bhivaji of Ratnagiri and Salomabai Govindrao of Sangli had passed examinations in the second years course of study and that Salomabai having already completed the other requirements of the course had been awarded a certificate.

The report of the committee on the location of the Z.B.M.M. ladies was read and considered seriatim. The recommendations as adopted were as follows:-

Ratnagiri to be head quarters for Z.B.M.M. Ladies

1. That Ratnagiri be regarded as the head quarters of that Mission in our Mission field, and that we request their Home committee to send all new workers to that station until our Mission is ready to locate them in groups.

2. Since Vengurla though not yet occupied as a station of our Mission is the temporary residence of our Missionaries Mr and Mrs Irwin we recommend that Misses Sharp and Ferguson be sent for the present to work with them in that district.

3. That we ask the Home committee of the

Z.B.M.M. to send us as soon as they can two new workers in order to complete two groups of four each.

4. In order that the Home Committee may understand why Vengurle is not a Station notwithstanding the residence of missionaries there, we recommend that the corresponding Secretary be instructed to forward to them a copy of Par 56 of our Board's Manual which contains a definition of what it is that constitutes a Station.

A Petition from christians of Kadoli asking for aid was read.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr Goheen.

Ninth Session

The ninth session met at 10.30 A.M. Nov 1. 1898. The minutes of the eighth session were read and approved.

Dr Wanless had returned and was present.

aid to Kadoli Xians

On motion the subject of aiding the Kadoli christians was referred to a committee consisting of Messrs Tedford, Goheen, and Seiler, to formulate definite propositions and report at this meeting.

The committee on the Station minutes of Kolhāpur, Ratnāgiri, Panhāla, and Sāngli reported minutes examined and approved.

The reports were accepted.

Renting Faith Cottage

On motion the question of renting Faith Cottage was referred to Panhāla Station to formulate action and report at this meeting.

The report of Panhāla Station on the inspection of the Islampur field was as follows:—

On account of plague and quarantine the Panhāla Station has deemed it inadvisable to go and personally inspect the Islampur locality with a view to establishing a Station there.

The report was accepted and the committee continued.

Amendment to rules

On motion rule 19 was amended by adding the words "or Bible woman" after the words "When the wife of a helper is employed as a teacher"—

On motion the president and Secretary were instructed "to send the petition concerning plague measures to Government to-day".

On this motion Miss Patton and Miss Brown asked that their negative votes be recorded.

After intermission the report of Panhala Station on Faith Cottage was adopted. It is as follows:—

We recommend that the occupancy of Faith Cottage by others than our own Mission be left to the judgement of Panhala Station, and that rent, when charged, be at the rate of one Rupee per day.

Moved:- that rule 36 be amended so as to read that the age for admission into the Boarding Schools shall be of boys 10 years and of girls 8 years; also that item 4 of rule 18 read "each child under 10 years of age Rs 2 a month.

Moved:- that the consideration of this motion be postponed for one year. Carried.

The committee on the minutes of Miraj Station, reported that the minutes were examined and approved.

The report was adopted.

~~The Statistical report of Miraj Station reported that the minutes were examined and approved.~~

~~The report~~ was adopted.

The Statistical report of Miraj Station was approved.

Moved:- That Misses Minor and Jefferson be permitted to go to Kodi Kanal next hot-season. Carried

The subject of the letter to Miss Wilder explaining the cablegram was made the order of the day for

Wednesday at 10.30. A.M.

Moved: that rule 18 Sec 4 be suspended in the case of Shantawan Govindrow for one year to allow of his still receiving Rs 2 per month allowance in case of his parents going to Ratnagiri and that we inform Govindrow that the Mission does not see its way clear to grant him any additional salary or other allowance for Blrow.

Carried.

"Indian notes to be discontinued

Moved: That the publication of "Indian Notes" be discontinued from Jan 1st 1899.

Carried

In answer to the petition of Ramji Balakuba Chopadi asking for reinstatement in Mission service.

Moved;- that the Secretary be instructed to inform Ramji that the Mission does not see its way clear to reinstate him

Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Mrs Ferris.

Tenth Session

The tenth session met at 10.30 A.M. Nov 2
The minutes of the ninth session were read and approved. The committee appointed to draft

a letter to Miss Wilder presented the following, which was approved.

Kolhàpur Nov. 2. 1898

Dear Miss Wilder

Letter to Miss Wilder

We have been appointed a committee to write you explaining the Mission Cablegram "No" While the Mission heartily sympathizes with you, in your desire to carry the Gospel to the unevanglized parts of our great Mission field, they do not think they have sufficient understanding of your settlement plan to intellegently endorse it, and they are not themselves ready to formulate another plan. For the past five years we have had as you know affiliated with us the associated workers of the Z.B.M. Mission and we are only now defining our relation ~~with~~ to them and to the Home committee. It is thought that if we were to ask for a different grade of workers in our own Mission it would be necessary to present a well formulated scheme.

We therefore recommend that you come as speedily as you can, and in person more fully explain your plan for a village settlement, and that you encourage your friends to apply to the Board to be sent out in the regular way, and that if they find the salary more than sufficient to meet their needs, they refund the extra amount to the Board. Thus they would be able to prove to the Board, and to the Mission that your plan is feasible. Yours in the service of a common Master.

The report of the committee on aid for the Kadoli Christians was considered. The following was adopted.

Moved:- That we ask the Board for an appropriation of Rs 300 to purchase land to complete the Kadoli compound, inasmuch as the land can now be bought very cheaply. (In ~~app.~~ estimate sheets)

The estimates of Miraj Station were read and approved with the exception of Sanitariums

The consideration for Sanitarium estimates for all the Stations was made the order of the day for 2.30 P. M.

The estimates of all the other stations were taken up by classes, and all in Class I were read and approved.

Mr Hannum and family were transferred to Ratnagiri Station.

On Sanitariums

After intermission the question of sanitariums was considered and the following estimates were approved:—

On the item in the same estimates for opening and conduct of dispensary Mrs Ferris asked that her negative vote be recorded.

Mr Graham asked that the following statement of his reasons be appended.

Medical work Ratnagiri

"I vote "No" in these estimates for the reason that I do not think it proper to ask appropriations for Medical work at Ratnagiri in separate amounts to different individuals when at other stations as Miraj and Panhàla where Medical work is carried on there is no such distinction made"

In reference to the estimates Class VI Panhàla Mr Graham asked that the following statement of his reasons be appended:-

Class VI Panhala

I vote "Yes" on this estimate provided a physician is sent to Panhàla, otherwise I vote for Rs 100 only so as to make the amount available for Miss Sherman's practice correspond with the amount available for Mrs Irwin in case a physician is not sent to Ratnagiri.

Class VIII was considered in part.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr Tedford.

Twelfth Session

The Twelfth Session met at 10.30. A.M. Nov 3. 1898.

The minutes of the tenth and eleventh sessions were read and approved.

The remaining estimates in Classes VIII and IX were read and approved.

Opening of Vengurle

Moved:- That the Mission request the Board to authorize the opening of Vengurle as a Station from our next Annual Meeting provided the Board grant us two new ordained missionaries.

Carried

New Property

The order of preference in new property asked was as follows:-

1. The buildings for the Boarding Schools at Sangli and Kolhāpur
2. The new bungalow for Panhala.
3. The land for completing the compound at Kodoli.
4. The land and building for preaching place at Miraj.

The order of preference in new missionaries asked was determined as follows:-

1. Ordained man for Ratnāgiri.
2. Ordained man for Sangli.
3. Lady physician for Panhala.
4. Lady Missionary for Miraj
5. Two lady missionaries for Kolhāpur.

The following officers were elected:-

President, Mr Irwin
Secretary, Mr Wilson
Treasurer. Mr Simonson
Secretary, of the Z.B.M.M. ladies, Miss Jefferson.
Member of auditing committee for two years
Mr Jolly.
Member of auditing committee for one year, in place of Mr Simonson, resigned. Mrs Tedford.
Member of publishing committee.
Mrs Goheen.
Member of examining committee
Miss Sherman.
Member of arrangement committee
Mrs Tedford.
Member of property committee.
Mr Simonson.

On motion a committee composed of Messrs Irwin, Wilson, Jolly, and Graham w~~ere~~as appointed to draft an answer to the letter of Col Wray, to the president of the American Presbyterian Mission, No 4237, dated Nov 3. 1898, to report at the afternoon session of the same day.

After intermission the committee appointed to draft an answer to Col Wray's letter made the following report which was adopted :—

Your committee recommend that the following answer be sent to Col Wray.

Kolhāpur Nov 3. 1898.

From,
The American Presbyterian Mission in Western India
To
Lieut Col J. W. Wray
Pol. Agent Kolhāpur, and S. M. C.

Sir:-

In reply to your letter No 4237 of 1898 dated Nov 3rd 1898, addressed to the President American Presbyterian Mission, we respectfully beg to call your attention to the fact that the petition addressed to His Excellency the Govenor of Bombay referred to therein, is from the American Presbyterian Mission in Western India, as a body.

We have the honour to be, Sir
Your most obedient servants.
J. M. Irwin. President.
Edgar, M. Wilson, Secretary.

A recess ~~of~~ was taken to enable the Secretary to complete the minutes.

After recess.

Mr. Irwin was excused from the meeting

The minutes of the 26th Annual Meeting were read and approved.

Adjourned with hymn, and prayer by Mr. Seiler.

Edgar M. Wilson
Secretary.

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MINUTES OF THE WESTERN INDIA MISSION - October 1899.

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27th Annual Meeting.

The 27th annual meeting of the Mission convened at Miraj Oct.19 1899. There were present Mrs. Wilder, Mr Seiler, Mr. Goheen, Mr. and Mrs. Tedford, Dr. and Mrs. Wanless, Mr. and Mrs. Jolly, Miss Minor, Miss Jefferson, Miss Wilder, Miss Brown, Mr. Wilson, Dr. and Mrs Wilson, Miss Foster, Miss Thomson, Miss Hamilton, Miss Scheurman Miss Giles, and Miss Thompson of the Z.B.M. Society.

In the absence of the President, who was detained in Bombay by meeting Mr. and Mrs. Wiley, the meeting was called to order by the Secretary.

Mr. Seiler was elected President Pro. Tem.

The report of the arrangement committee was read and adopted. It is as follows:

Devotional Meetings.

Thursday,	Oct.	19,	8 P.M.	Sermon,	Mr Seiler
Friday	"	2o		Day of Prayer	
			11 A.M.		Mr Irwin
			8 P.M.		Mr. Jolly
Sunday	"	22	8 P.M.	Communion Service	
					Mr. Wilson
					Mr. Goheen
Wednesday	"	25	8 P.M.		Dr. Wilson
Sunday	"	29	8 P.M.	Praise Service	
					Dr. Wanless

It is recommended that there be a daily business session beginning Saturday Oct. 21 from lo:3o A.M. to 12:3o P.M. and from 2:3o P.M. to 4:3o P.M., and that each morning session be preceded by a half hour's devotional service, to be led by the male missionaries in order of seniority.

Mr. Goheen made also an oral statement concerning accomodations for those from abroad.

Mr. Seiler preached the annual sermon from the text Matt.13:52

After prayer by Mr. Seiler the meeting adjourned to Saturday Oct. 21, at lo:3o A.M.

Second Session.

The second session of the mission met at lo:3o A.M. Saturday Oct. 21 and was called to order by the President. There were present in addition to the first session Mrs. E.M.Wilson, Mr. and Mrs.

Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley, Dr. McArthur and Miss Sharp of the Z.B.MM

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read. The minutes of the first session were read and approved.

The president reported that the following circular motions had been passed during the year:

Sangli Dec.28, 1898.

Moved: That Govindrow and Salomabai Malap be permitted to take their eldest boy Bhou with them to Ratnagiri and that Rs.2, the monthly allowance for a child under eight, be granted them for his support for one year.

Kolhapur Dec. 29, 1898.

Moved: That the mission grant Somshakar Apa the usual monthly allowance of Rs.2 for Jayavant until June 1, 1899.

Sangli Feb. 6, 1899.

As will be seen from the accompanying certificate from Dr. Wanless, it is not desirable for Mr. Jolly to go to Mahableshwar this hot season nor to remain in Sangli.

Therefore,

Moved: That Mr. Jolly be permitted on account of the state of his health, to spend the hot season in a trip to Australia, the expense to be met out of the appropriations of Sangli Sattion.

Sangli Feb. 9, 1899.

Moved: That Sangli station be authorized to buy the following for Mount Douglas:-

One single bed	Rs.	22
One tea set		1o
One dining table		24
One double bed		25
Bath room furniture		5
Total		86

Kolhapur March 7, 1899.

Moved: That Mesdames Goheen and Jolly be a committee to make a complete list of the furniture of Mount Douglas:

(1) with instructions appended thereto, making it obligatory on the hostess or others staying in the bungalow, to receive a verification of the list from the mali or care taker both on arrival and departure from Mount Douglas, and

(2) making ~~it~~ a rule that all breakages are to be made good before departure, and

(3) that two copies be made of the list, one to be left at Mount Douglas and one handed to the secretary of the mission.

Kolhapur March 1, 1899.

Moved: That Mesdames Goheen, Wanless and Jolly be a committee to purchase out of funds for Mount Douglas,furniture etc. which is needed to make Mount Douglas properly furnished and comfortable.

This motion was laid on the table until mission meeting.

Mahableshwar May 17, 1899.

Moved: That Misses Hamilton, Thomson, Scheurman and Giles be stationed at Miraj until Mission Meeting.

Miraj June 8, 1899.

Moved: That the cut of Rs. 11296 ordered by the Board on the appropriations for the present fiscal year (1899-1900) be distributed among the stations in proportion to their appropriations (exclusive of the Rs. 325 for Sanitarium at Mahableshwar) as follows:

Kolhapur	2651
Panhala	1587
Ratnagiri	1084
Sangli	3084
Miraj	2890
Total	11296

Sangli June 27 , 1899.

Moved: That we ask the Board to send us a man in place of Miss Sherman.

Miraj July 6, 1899.

Moved: That the resignation of Mr. Simonson as mission treasurer be accepted and that Mr. E.M.Wilson be appointed his successor.

Miraj July 13, 1899.

Moved: That Mr. Simonson be permitted to return to the United States at once.

Vengurla ~~Kolhapur~~ July 25, 1899.

Moved: That Mr. Goheen be appointed member of the examining committee in place of Miss Sherman, until the usual annual meeting.

Sangli Aug. 15, 1899.

Moved: That the additional appropriation of Rs.864 granted by the Board be distributed among the stations in the same proportion as the cut was distributed as follows:-

Kolhapur	Rs.	203
Panhala		121
Ratnagiri		83
Sangli		236
Miraj		221
Total		864

Sangli Aug 23, 1899.

Whereas: Our mission by its action last year invited the ladies of the Z.B.M.M. to send one or more representatives to our mission meeting and the method of selecting delegates was left indefinite -

Moved: That we instruct their Secretary to ask the ladies to make their own selection.

Miraj Aug. 28, 1899.

Owing to the stringency of quarantine regulations in the Kolhapur state, and the Miraj station having voted to invite the mission to hold the next annual meeting in Miraj;-

Resolved: That rule 69 of the constitution be suspended and the annual meeting this year be held at Miraj at the usual time.

The Kolhapur station and statistical reports were read by Mr. Seiler.

Miss Foster was excused from the afternoon meeting.

Mrs. Wilder read her personal report.

Rule 76 concerning the order of business was amended by placing "Estimates" before "Miscellaneous business."

Personal reports were read by Mr. Seiler, Mr. Jolly, Miss Brown and Dr. Wilson.

Recess.

Personal reports were read by Miss Minor, Mrs. Seiler (read by Mr. Seiler) Mrs Goheen (read by Mr. Hoheen) Mr. Goheen, Miss Jefferson, Miss Wilder, Miss Thomson, Miss Hamilton, Miss Scheurman, Miss Giles, Miss Sharp (of the ZBMM)Miss Ferguson (of the Z B M M read by Miss Sharp) , Miss Unsworth (of the Z B M M - read by Miss Jefferson).

The statistical report of Panhala station was read by Miss Brown.

The publishing committee reported no work done and no money expended. Report accepted.

Moved: That a committee of two be appointed to review the year's correspondance of the secretary of the Z.B.M.M. Carried.

Panhala station reported that on account of plague it had been impossible during the year th visit and inspect the Islampur field.

Report accepted and station continued as committee on this work.

Rule 78 was amended to read as follows:-

The order of preference in appropriations asked for New Property and New Missionaries shall be determined by ballot. The vote shall be taken separately for each place, and on each ballot the item having the lowest number of votes shall be dropped.

Rule 18 was amended by the addition of the following:-

6. Vacation allowance. Each child between 8 and 18 years of age, two rupees a month.

Moved: That rule 47 be suspended in order to allow the Girls' and Boys' Boarding Schools to be reopened Oct. 16 instead of at the time specified in the rule. Carried.

A motion to allow the payment of children's allowances in the Konkan to 18 years of age and a motion to allow the payment of allowances to day scholars in the boys' boarding school were made the 1st and 2nd orders of the day for Tuesday afternoon Oct. 24 at 2:3o P.M.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Goheen.

Third Session.

The third session of the mission met Monday Oct 23 at 1o:3o A.M. The minutes of the second session were read and approved.

The president appointed the following special committees :-

Z B M M correspondence	Mr. Jolly and Miss Wilder.
Ratnagiri Minutes	Mr. Tedford and Mrs. Jolly
Kolhapur Minutes	Dr. Wilson and Miss Minor
Panhala Minutes	Mr. Wiley and Miss Jefferson
Sangli Minutes	Mrs. Tedford and Mrs. Irwin
Miraj Minutes	Mr. Seiler and Miss Brown

Personal reports were read by Mrs. Tedford, Dr Wanless, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Foster and Mrs. Jolly.

The report of the auditing committee was read, but consideration of it was postponed until the time of estimates.

The committee appointed to correspond with the Edinburgh Medical Missionary Society with regard to the establishment of a branch medical missionary training institute at Miraj, reported that they wrote to the society and received no reply.
The report was accepted and the committee on its own recommendation discontinued.

Dr. Wanless, the committee on correspondence with the society for missions to lepers in India and the East made the following report:-
Your committee begs to report that he has exchanged letters with representatives of this society who are now endeavoring to raise funds to establish a leper asylum near Miraj.
The committee was, on its own recommendation, continued.

The committee on the correspondence of the Z.B.M.M. secretary made the following report which was accepted:-
Your committee have read the correspondence between the secretary and the home committee of the Z.B.M.M. and are glad to report that very cordial relations exist between the field and the home committee.
We note that the recommendations made by the mission last year have been cordially agreed to by the home committee.

The committee appointed to examine the minutes of Kolhapur station reported the minutes examined and approved.

Moved: That a committee of three be appointed by the president to revise the recommenddtions for outfit which are placed in the hands of new missionaries, this committee to report if possible at this meeting, and if not, by circular . Carried.
The following action was taken;

Whereas the office of station treasurer has proved in practice to be a useless and troublesome piece of machinery
Moved: That we ask the Board to allow us to do away with

the office from May 1st, 1900. Carried.

Moved that hereafter personal reports cover the time from one mission meeting to another. Carried.

Recess.

PN Moved: That the mission approve the request of Sangli station to the Board that the station be allowed to solicit funds in the U.S. to the amount in the estimates in order to complete the appropriation needed for the new school building. Carried.

Moved: That the mission go into committee of the whole to consider the Konkan field.

Mr. Seiler was called to the chair.

The committee rose and reported progress and that a recess be taken until Wednesday Oct. 25th at 10:30 A.M.

Moved: That statistical reports be made a matter of record by the secretary. Carried.

Moved that the following rule be enacted:

Estimates for the transfer of missionaries and helpers and the expenses of committees shall be placed in class nine of the estimates of the station of which the treasurer is a member, these sums to be for the use of the entire mission and subject to cut and transfer by mission action only. Carried.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Tedford.

Fourth session.

The fourth session met Tuesday Oct. 24th at 10:30 A.M. The minutes of the third session were read and approved.

Moved: That the recent action of the Board regarding furloughs be referred to a committee.

On this motion Dr. Wanless asked that his negative vote be recorded.

The committee appointed was Mr. Seiler, Mr. Jolly and Miss Minor.

Miraj station and statistical reports were read by Dr.Wanles

The following committee was appointed on the revision of the outfit list - Mr. Goheen and Mrs Tedford.

The committee on Miraj minutes reported examined and approved.

Recess.

The order of the day which was a motion concerning children's allowance in the Konkan was taken up.

An amendment to this question was offered.

The whole question of children's allowance was made the order of the day for Friday Oct. 27, at 10:30 A.M.

The statistical and station reports of Ratnagiri station were read by Mr. Irwin.

B

The following motion was passed:
Whereas:- The missionaries of the Konkan are at a much greater distance from Sanitariums than the rest of the mission;
Moved: That we ask the Board to allow them in the estimates a sum for travelling expenses to sanitariums not exceeding Rs.50 each.

The following motion was carried:-
That an estimate for sanitariums for the entire mission be placed in the estimates of the station of which the treasurer is a member, this sum to be subject to mission action only.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Jolly.

Fifth Session.

The fifth session met at 10:30 A.M. Wednesday Oct. 25. The minutes of the fourth session were read and approved.

The mission went into committee of the whole to continue the consideration of the Konkan field.
Mr. Seiler was called to the chair.

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The committee rose and made the following report which was adopted:
Whereas we have repeatedly asked the Board to send more missionaries to our field and they have not been able to send a sufficient number to efficiently occupy the entire Konkan field in addition to the Deccan,
Resolved:- That we appoint a committee to seek the cooperation of some other society to work the Northern portion of the Konkan field and that we urge upon the Board the necessity of sending more men to work the remaining part of the Konkan and the unoccupied parts of the Deccan.

The reports of the committees on the Ratnagiri and Panhala station minutes were read and accepted. The minutes of both stations were examined and approved.

Recess.

The following rule was adopted:
All the ordained missionaries shall before the close of their fifth year in the mission present themselves before the Examining Committee for a third examination in Marathi and in the religions of India, this examination to be optional with all the other members of the mission.

In view of this the following action was taken:-
Moved: That the examining committee be instructed to prepare a course of study and heads of examination.

The mission went into committee of the whole with Mr. Goheen in the chair to consider the subject of the settlement.

The committee rose and reported the following which was adopted:

Moved: That Miss Wilder and the settlement ladies formulate their own plans for work as far as they know them and also define their relations with the Board and the mission and report at this meeting.

The following was passed:

Moved: That a committee of three be appointed to look over our field with a view to the proper location of stations and outstations in the future.

On account of a meeting of Presbytery, adjourned to on Thursday Friday Oct. 27 at 10:30 A.M.

Prayer by Dr. Wanless.

Sixth Session.

The sixth session met Friday Oct. 27 at 10:30 A.M. The minutes of the fifth session were read and approved.

Rule 18 section 4 was amended by the addition of the following "and in the Konkan each child under 18 years of age the same, provided he attend school in his own field and receive the approval of the station."

The following action was taken:

Moved: That rule 18 be suspended for one year to aloow the principal of the Boys' Boarding School to pay, with the approval of the station, from the school appropriations, certain mission agents Rs.2 children's allowance for children over 8 years of age in consideration of their boarding their own children while the latter are day pupils in the boarding school.

The following rule was enacted:-

Indian Christian agents shall not receive children's allowance to an amount greater than Rs. 12 in any one month.

Moved: That this action take effect from May 1, 1900.

Carried.

Moved: That the allowance of Rs 2 per month to Bhou and Shantawan Govindrow be continued until May 1st, 1900.

The following committees were appointed; on

Location stations and out stations, Mr. Seiler, Mr. Tedford and Miss Jefferson.

Cooperation in the Konkan, Mr. Wilson and Miss Minor.

Personal reports were read by Mr. Wilson and Mr. Irwin.

The examining committee made the following report which was accepted:-

Your committee examined Miss McGrotty of the Z.B.M.M. on the first year 's course in February last and passed her.

On Oct. 9, 1899 Miss Blower of the Z.B.M.M. was examined on the first year's course and Misses Thompson and Evans on the second year's course~~m~~ and all passed.

On Oct. 20 Miss Foster passed her first examination.

On Oct. 26 Mrs. Irwin passed her second examination.

Recess.

The committee on permanent investments of the Board made its report. The correspondence with officers of the Board was read. No action was taken.

The locating committee made its report which as adopted was as follows:-

(1) As it is desirable that Dr. Wilson should be in Miraj to assist in completing instruction to the medical class, and there is serious illness in Dr. Wanless' family, your committee recommend that Dr. and Mrs. Wilson remain at Miraj till the hot season after which they be transferred to Kodoli.

(2) That Dr. McArthur be stationed in Ratnagiri.

(3) That Mr. and Mrs. Wiley be stationed in Ratnagiri.

(4) That Misses Thomson, Hamilton, Scheurman and Giles and Dr. Stewart of the Village Settlement be stationed at Miraj till next mission meeting.

(5) That Mrs. Seiler and Mrs. Wanless be hostesses at Mahableshwar next hot season.

Moved: That a cordial invitation to work in our field be extended to Mr. Thomas S. Evans who desires to come to India under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A., and that the secretary be instructed to correspond in this matter with Mr. McConaughy, the general Y.M.C.A. Secretary for India.

A petition from Balaji U. Joshi requesting the mission to take under its care the Tedford New English School in Ratnagiri was read.

On motion the secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Joshi that the mission does not see its way clear to comply with his request.

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The committee on the Board's action regarding furloughs made the following report which was adopted:

Your committee having considered the matter of furloughs referred to them are of the opinion that the present term of eight and one half years service is quite long enough for our field, especially in view of the fact that so many of our missionaries on account of failing health have been obliged to return to America before that period was completed. They would suggest that the question be left to each individual missionary to decide toward the end of that period, and as a fact several have voluntarily remained beyond the eight and one half years (or a minimum period) which renders it probable that others will do the same.

The Board among reasons assigned for the return of missionaries to the home land fails to mention the desirability of parents returning on account of their children whom they left there. Moreover there may be various reasons best known to the returning missionary. So upon the whole your committee recommend that as voluntary action seems more advisable than that induced by mission action, the question of the return to the United States after eight and one half years be left to the conscience of each missionary.

On the adoption of this report Dr. Wanless asked that his negative vote be recorded.

The following action was taken:-

In view of the fact that famine conditions already prevail in parts of our mission field, which threaten to become general:

Moved: That the president appoint a committee of five to represent the mission in raising and distributing a famine relief fund, this committee to have authority to apportion funds as they may see fit, and that the Board be requested to cable any funds available for that purpose.

The president appointed the secretaries of the stations as famine committee, viz. Messrs. Seiler, Tedford, Irwin, Wilson and Dr. Wanless.

A motion to abolish rule 4o was laid on the table until next mission meeting.

A petition from Bizuba Thakur asking for assistance was referred to Miraj Station.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Wilson.

Seventh Session.

The seventh session met Sat. Oct. 28, at 1o:3o A.M. The minutes of the sixth session were read and approved.

The Mission's Committee on Bible Instruction for Women made the following report which was accepted:-

There has been much interest in Bible Study among the women. Thirteen have been examined in the first year's course of study, and all passed.

The Map Committee made a partial report and presented the map which they had prepared.

The report was accepted and the committee continued to complete the map.

Estimates for all the stations in classes one and two were adopted.

Adjourned to Monday Oct. 3o at 1o:3o A M.

Prayer by Dr. Wilson.

Eighth Session.

The eighth session met Monday Oct. 3o at 1o:3o A.M. The minutes of the seventh session were read and approved.

The Sangli station report was read and all ~~the~~ station reports were approved.

The property committee reported as follows which was adopted:-
Your committee would report that with the exception of Sangli station no buildings have been erected in the mission during the year. The extension to the workshop at that station has been completed with the exception of the roof.
The plans for the new school house for the Boys' Boarding School have been examined and approved.

A statement of principles looking to a Science of Missions which the Board had sent to Mr. Tedford was read.

A petition from Basantrow Thakur asking for promotion on account of faithfulness was read:
The secretary was instructed to reply that while the mission appreciates his faithfulness it does not see its way clear to comply with his request, but would urge him to attain promotion by passing the necessary examinations.

The report of the Settlement Ladies was read.

Recess.

The report of the Settlement ladies was referred to a committee consisting of Dr. Wilson, Mr. Goheen and Miss Brown.

The examining committee reported a course of study and subjects for a third examination.
This was made the order of the day for Tuesday Oct 31, at 1o:3o A.M.

The motion concerning the furniture for Mount Douglas which was laid on the table till Mission meeting was taken up.
On motion the whole subject was referred to a committee consisting of Mr. Jolly, Dr. Wanless and Mrs. E.M.Wilson.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Wiley.

Ninth Session.

The ninth session met Tuesday Oct 31 at 1o:3o A.M. The minutes of the eighth session were read and approved.

The order of the day which was the report of the examining committee on courses of study and examinations was taken up and the following adopted:-

	I. Third Marathi Examination.	Marks.
1.	Translating from Lord Macaulay's Essay on Warren Hastings	100
2.	Translating passages from Tukaram's and Ramdas' poetry as found in the Government Fifth Marathi Reader	100
3.	Translating from any editorial in the "Sudharak", "Kesari" or "Indu Prakash."	100
4.	Reading ordinary Modi manuscript	100
5.	Preaching a sermon in Marathi or giving an exposition of a passage of Scripture	100
	Total	500

	II. Examination on Religions of India.	
1.	Examination in English on Vedic and Modern Hinduism Books recommended to be studied. (1) Monier Williams' "Brahmanism and Hinduism." (2) Padmanji's "Manual of Hinduism" (Marathi)	100
2.	Examination in English on Mohammedanism Books recommended (1) Murdoch's "Selections from the Koran." (2) Rouse's Bound Tracts for Mohammedans.	100
	Total	200

III. In order to pass the examination a candidate shall gain an average grade of sixty percent in each section.

IV. The committee shall be allowed to call in native aid for examination.

Mr. Tedford read his personal report. All personal reports were approved.

The committee on Sangli minutes reported examined and approved. The report was accepted.

Estimates Class III were considered. The following was adopted:-

Moved: That we ask for four ordained missionaries for the Deccan and two for the Konkan in order to open new stations, one at Vengurla and two in the unoccupied parts of the Deccan field, and for Miss Graham for work among the women in Sangli.

Estimates in Class VIII were considered, but action postponed to hear the report of the committee on the settlement.

The committee on the report of the settlement made a report which as adopted was as follows:

Your committee would report that they have considered in detail the Report of the Village Settlement submitted to them which was as follows:-

The Village Settlement.

I. In its relation to the Board.

1. We understand that Misses Wilder, Thomson, Hamilton, Scheurman and Giles are missionaries of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions commissioned for village work in occupied parts of the Western India Mission.

We have voted Mrs. Wilder an Honorary Member of the Village Settlement and Miss Wulder as our Secretary.

2. That "the allowance of each member is $3oo per annum, with house accomodation and medical charges when needed."

3. That the term of service is that of all single women in the Western India Mission.

4. That the expense of the journey from the homes of the ladies to and from India by the usual route, is met by the Board from special funds provided for the purpose.

5. That the allowance of $3oo is continued during furlough in lieu of the usual home allowance.

6. That a separate account is kept by the Treasurer of the Board of all funds designated to the Village Settlement, and that we look to God for an increase of this fund and to our Board to send workers as rapidly as this fund will permit.

II. In its relation to the Mission.

1. That we are members of the Western India Mission.

2. That, in view of the fact that our Board is now sending to the field a large proportion of young women, we have a vote for twoo or more persons as may be desired by the Mission.

3. That as the members of the Settlement are at present located in two Stations and as a separate Settlement Account has bden opened in New York, we request the Mission to put Settlement Estimates on a separate sheet.

4. That while gratefully accepting any Native Agent provided for us by God through the Mission, we in the main depend upon voluntary aid from converts.

III. Its plans for work.

1. We plan that through the touring of the Committee on Stations and Outstations and Mrs. and Miss Wilder, this season, we

shall seek to know the field with a view to location.

2. That as soon as God directs the location for our bungalow and means are provided we build.

3. That this be our Settlement home and from it we go forth in groups of two or more for the evangelization of the district.

4. That as members are added to our Village Settlement, we have in view the building of other homes.

In acting upon this report your committee has been guided by the opinions of the Mission expressed during the discussion of the report, and by a desire to help the ladies of the Village Settlement in carrying out their plan.

Your committee recommend for adoption the following:

First: That we heartily sympathize with the desire of the ladies of the Settlement and will accord them every possible assistance in the carrying out of the Settlement experiment as it may be modified by the Mission, at the same time in the opinion of the mission young ladies are in general better adapted to work for women in established stations than for pioneering in new fields; and that new stations can best be opened by experienced and preferably by married missionaries, and that ample scope is afforded for young ladies for touring and evangelistic work from these stations.
(Settlement Report I,1.)

Second: That the Mission request the Board to direct that the sum appropriated for "Rent and other expenses" be for house accomodation on the plains, at a sanitarium and on tour.
(Settlement Report I,2.)

Third: That in calling for the expenditure of their special fund held in New York for sending out new Village Settlement workers the ladies be guided by mission action.
(Settlement Report I,6.)

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Fourth: That the Board be requested to make these ladies full members of the Western India Mission and extend to them the same voting privilege as other members of the mission enjoy.
(Settlement Report II, 1 &2.)

Fifth: That the Settlement ladies be allowed to make out separate estimate sheets for the whole Village Settlement.
(Settlement Report II, 3.)

Sixth: That the mission locate the Village Settlement in one of the places to be chosen by your committee on stations and out-stations, after ascertaining the preference of the ladies.
(Settlement Report III, 1.)

Seventh: That the matter of obtaining sites for and erecting buildings for the Village Settlement workers be referred to the property committee; and that inasmuch as the ladies are now occupying one of the Miraj Hospital buildings, an estimate for a new bungalow for them be entered this year.

(Settlement Report III , 2.)

A motion concerning house accomodation was considered.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Seiler.

Tenth Session.

The tenth session met at lo:3o A.M. Wednesday, Nov. 1st. The minutes of the ninth session were read and approved.

The Sangli statistical report was read, and the statistical reports of all the stations were approved.

Recess.

The following motion was passed as an addition to the report on the Village Settlement.

Eighth: That Section I paragraph 1 of the Settlement Report which provides that the settlement appoint a Secretary-treasurer from their number who will submit accounts and report receipts to the treasurer of the mission, meets with the approval of the mission

Estimates in Class VIII were adopted as follows:

For two new bungalows with land in the new stations asked for..............	Rs. lo,ooo
For a bungalow with land for the Settlement	7,ooo
For completing the appropriations for the Sangli school house.....................	2,oo4
For addition to the school house of the Girls' Boarding School in Kolhapur	2,5oo

Estimates for Class IV for all stations were adopted.

Further estimates were made the order of the day for Thursday at lo:3o A.M.

Adjourned to 8P.M. Prayer by Mr. Goheen

Eleventh Session.

The eleventh session met at 8 P.M. Nov. 1st. The minutes of the tenth session were read and approved.

A petition from Balavantrow Salave asking for an advance on his salary was read. The following answer was returned: That we appreciate his motives and aim to become independent and urge him to pursue the latter by saving money and not by going into debt, but that we cannot loan mission money.

A petition from Bhikaji Powar asking for a certificate from the mission in regard to his services was answered as follows: That the mission does not see its way clear to grant his request.

A petition from Govindrow S. Malap asking for employment for his wife was answered as follows: That the mission is desirous that the wives of helpers do voluntary work.

A petition from Prasad Khandoba was referred to Sangli Station.

A petitions from Ayatavadi Christians for a cemetery and a preacher was referred to Panhala Station.

On motion Ramchandra Jhingade was allowed Rs.2 children's allowance a month till May 1st for his son , though the latter is not attending the Boarding School.

A report on the dining room for Mount Douglas was considered.

Adjourned with prayer by Mr. Tedford.

Twelfth Session.

The twelfth session met Thursday Nov. 2 at 10:30 A.M. The minutes of the eleventh session were read and approved.

Estimates of Class V were approved.

Recess.

The report of the auditing committee was considered.

Moved: That until we hear from the Board Miraj Station be authorized to make its expenditures under appropriations for the hospital on the basis of the audit of former years. Carried

Moved: That we ask the Board to say whether paragraphs 67 and 68 of the Manual require the auditing committee to report to the Board or to the Mission, and if the latter whether the Mission can amend said report. Carried.

Estimates in Classes VII and IX were adopted.

The time of the session was extended.

The following motion was passed:
That hereafter all charges for cashing cheques for salary and station expenses be placed under stationery and postage, Class IX.

Mr. Tedford was excused from the meeting from Friday morning, Nov. 3rd.

1B The estimate for Sanitariums for the entire mission was fixed at Rs.18oo and placed in Class IX, Sangli Station.

The estimate for the entire mission for transfer of missionaries and native helpers and expenses of committees was fixed at Rs.25o and placed in Class IX, Sangli Station.

Adjourned with prayer by Dr. Wanless.

Thirteenth Session.

The thirteenth session met at 1o:3o A.M. Nov. 3rd. The minutes of the twelfth session were read and approved.

Estimates of Class VI were approved.

On motion the estimate of Rs.18oo for a native doctor was declared not subject to cut and to revert to the Board if the doctor cannot be secured.

1B Moved that we ask the Board for $15o for surgical outfit for Dr. Wilson. Carried.

Moved that the estimates for V.D.Ohol and P.Tatpati, medical assistants, to be employed in new outstations be placed in Miraj Station Estimates, their location to be determined by the mission. Carried.

The following motion was presented, but its consideration was postponed for one year.

11 With a view to and in order to encourage self-support in the medical and industrial work of this mission, we express the opinion that in the judgment of this mission it would best secure this end if permission were given to use in the work all receipts received on the field, and that in expressing this judgment the Mission does so on the understanding that in case such permission were given, a consolidated sum be placed in the estimates for each department of the work named; and that when in the judgment of the Board and the Mission each section of the work has reached a legitimate development so far as it concerns estimates the sum asked for for each department be year by year reduced.

The committee on the Mahableshwar Dining Room made a report which as adopted was as follows:-

Your committee having considered the matters referred to them would report that the sum available for this purpose is Rs.647 and the cheapest serviceable Dining Room will cost about Rs. 85o.

We recommend

(1) That such a dining room be built, also a kitchen and two servants' quarters, the old material available to be used for the latter. The cost of the whole will be about Rs.12oo.

(2) That we request the Board to allow us to use ~~mm~~ unused balances from Sanatarium appropriations to the amount of Rs.5oo if needed to augment the fund now available, so that the whole work may be completed during the current year.

We further suggest that donations for the above work be solicited.

Moved: That Sangli Station be allowed to rent out Mount Douglas bungalow in the cold season, or when not required by members of the mission, and that we ask the Board to allow us to use the rent to complete the furnishing of the bungalow, after which balances will be turned over to the Board. Carried.

Rule 36 was amended by making the age of admission to the Boarding Schools to be, Boys lo, Girls 8 years.

Rule 18 section 4 was amended accordingly by inserting "ten years" instead of "eight years".

The committee on the location of new stations and out-stations was instructed to report as soon as possible.

Rules 28 to 31 inclusive regarding fees in the Boarding Schools were suspended until next mission meeting on account of famine.

A petition of Khandoba Laxman was referred to Sangli Station.

Moved: That members be urged to send, as far as possible, to the secretary at least two months before mission meeting notice of business to come before the meeting in order that a docket of business may be circulated before the meeting by the secretary.
Carried.

The order of preference for new property was decided as follows:-

1. Sangli and Kolhapur Boarding School Buildings.
2. Settlement Bungalow.
3. Two new bungalows.

The order of preference for new missionaries was decided as follows:-

1. Six men.
2. Miss Graham.

The following officers were elected:

President	Mr.Seiler
Secretary	Dr. Wilson
Treasurer	Mr. Wilson
Member of Auditing Committee	Dr. Wanless
Member of Publishing Committee	Mr. Seiler
Member of Examining Committee	Mr. Seiler
Member of Property Committee for 3 years	Dr. Wanless
Member of Property Committee for 2 years	Mr. Tedford
Secretary of the Z.B.M.M. ladies	Miss Jefferson

Miss Minor and Miss Wilder were excused from the meeting.

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Moved: That we ask permission from the Board to open Vengurla as a station, and two other new stations in the Deccan. Carried.

The minutes of the thirteenth session were read and approved.

The minutes of the Twenty seventh Annual Meeting were read, corrected and approved.

Adjourned with prayer by the President.